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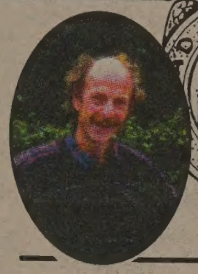

Clan Munro Association USA joins library "family" at Odom

In a letter from Henry D. Munro, vice-president, Clan Munro USA, Inc., Mr. Munro writes, "As vice-president of Clan Munro Association, USA, Inc., acting for president, Ann Monroe Dinger, I extend our organization's wishes to acknowledge and commend your dedication to the recognition to the Scottish Clans and the support of individual genealogical research. We herewith declare the Odom Library as the repository of selected items of the history and genealogical studies of Clan Munro. As a member of Clan Munro (Association) Scotland, and the only officially recognized and sanctioned Clan Munro organization in the United States, we are gratified to join the one hundred Scottish clans

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Don't delay, procrastinate or put off registering for the Moultrie Scottish Weekend! *It's HERE!* Register today!

The 300 slots available for registrants at The Scottish Weekend in Moultrie are almost full. About 50 places remain and the deadline is still two weeks away. So, don't delay, call and register today using your major credit card (912-985-6540, ask for Beth).

You may still register by mail and check. Send a check for $45 per person to: Scottish Weekend, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776 by February 15. After the 15th, the fee goes to $55 per person.

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Tree Newsletter Contest deadline March 1, 1998.

Enter your publication now!

The deadline for the 1998 *Family Tree* Newsletter Contest is 1 March 1998. This is shaping up to be the biggest event ever...as we already have entrants equal to the entire last years' competition. There is still room for you.

Whether you are a Scottish Clan, historical society, family surname society, genealogical society, specialty organization, etc., there is a category for you (or, if there's not, we'll create one) in the contest.

Our judging scores are arranged so that a well-done typed and copied publication has an equal chance competing with a professionally done piece.

Entrants all receive the judge's score sheets at the conclusion of the contest. The judges give ideas and hints and helps so that it is a learning experience for the newsletter editors who enter.

Prizes include certificates for all Honourable Mention winners. All first through fourth place winners will also receive certificates. First place winners all receive handsome trophies. The Grand Prize winner (overall first place from among all the publications entered) receives a suitably engraved silver Revere bowl plus a banner to display at organization events.

Entry fee is $25 (which goes to *The Family Tree* travel fund). To enter, please send a copy of two issues of your publication, with a $25 check and contact information for the editor to: Newsletter Contest, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828.

1 March 1998 is the deadline for entries. Winners will be announced in the June/July issue of *The Family Tree*.

The Southeast Scottish Amateur Athletics, Inc., recently competed in their first challenge of heavy events which was held at the 1997 Kalamazoo, Michigan games. In a very close finish, the Southern lads bested their Northern competitors in a full day of competition.

Pictured at the 1997 Stone Mountain Highland Games are part of the Southeastern team accepting their trophy which was presented to them by Andrew Mackay Betts (3rd from right) president of the Clan Mackay Society, Inc., who is also a representative of the Kalamazoo Games.

The victorious team was composed of Greg Siebert, Kevin Youngblood, John Stenard, Paul Krest, Greg Cameron and Brett Cummings (Athlete of the Day)

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Census Bureau Assistance?

A branch of the Census Bureau will assist researchers in obtaining census records from the 1930-1990 federal returns for any person for whom you can supply proof of death. Age Search will, for $25, search any two census records.

The search is limited to the person for whom you are requesting information, but you may ask for other family members to be included for a $2 a person feed.

The full line of information from the census return will be provided with payment of a $6 fee. The basic fee includes an official document stating the person's name, age, place of birth, citizenship and relationship to the head of the household.

Form BC-600, which is required, can be obtained from any Social Security office or by writing: Bureau of the Census, "Age Search," PO Box 1545, Jeffsonville, IN 47131.

With thanks to Mesa Dwellers and Yucaipa Valley Genealogical Society.

Passport Application address update

Sharron Morrison writes that the correct address for information concerning passport applications is: Research and Liaison Department, US State Department Archives, 1111 - 19th St., NW, Washington, DC 20524.

The phone number at the US State Department Archives is 202-955-0291.

Thanks Sharron..

Researching Corley's?

The Corley Chronicle, a local history and genealogical newsletter in Lexington Co., SC celebrated its second year of publication.

Claudette Holliday, a Lexington Swiss-German descendant, is the publisher of the quarterly newsletter. Subscriptions are $16 a year. Write *The Corley Chronicle*, 1453 Corley Mill Road, Lexington, SC 29072.

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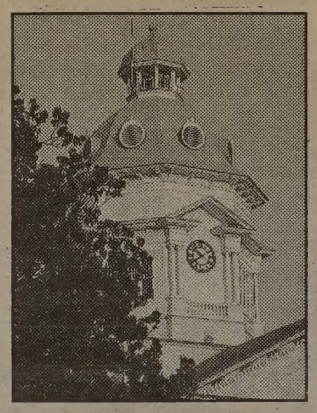
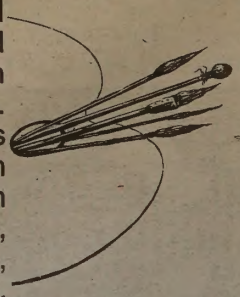


The Moultrie Federated Guild recently honored Colquitt County Women Artists with an afternoon Tea. An exhibit of local work was held at the event which featured not only paintings in oil, water colour and gouache, but also featured sculpture, needlework and mixed media.



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WGC Gene-A-Rama'98 set for next June

The Wisconsin Genealogical Council would like to announce that they will hold their Gene-A-Rama'98 on Friday and Saturday, June 26 and 27 at the Paper Valley and Conference Center in Appleton, Wisconsin.

The main speaker will be Henry Z. (Hank) Jones, Jr., FASG. Jones recently received the Award of Merit from the National Genealogical Society. In addition, he has been elected to the Board of Directors of The Genealogical Speakers Guild and is a Trustee of the Association of Professional Genealogists. He will speak on: When the Sources are Wrong!, Tracing the Origins of Early 18th Century German Palatine Emigrants, I Don't Chase Dead Germans — They Chase Me and How Psychic Roots Became an "Unsolved Mystery."

Plans call for Helen Schair to make a presentation entitled The Cemetery Lady. Other sessions will be devoted to writing your family history, beginning genealogy and round-table discussions devoted to newsletter editors, writing and answering queries and genealogy programs.

For more information regarding registration/booth space information, contact Emil Krause, 6083 County Road South, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-9212. Call 715-435-3683.

Iowa Genealogical Society plans annual conference

The Iowa Genealogical Society will hold its annual conference Friday, Saturday, October 2 and 3, 1998, at the Iowa Valley Continuing Education Conference Center on the campus of Marshalltown Community College in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Following the theme, "Celtic Connections," featured speakers and seminar leaders will address a wide range of genealogy topics. A number of vendors will be offering genealogical publications and products for sale.

Dean Hunter, Collections Specialist at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah and Marilyn R. Finke, lecturer from Kansas City, Missiouri will be featured speakers.

For more information, please contact Iowa Genealogical Society, PO Box 7735, Des Moines, IA 50322-7735. Call 515-276-0287.

Annual Spring Meeting in Kensington

The Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society (MAGS) will hold its Spring Meeting on Saturday, May 2, 1998 at Blob's Park, Jessup, Maryland. The meeting begins with registration at 8:30 AM with the program at 9:15, concluding at 3:45 in the afternoon. The registration fee is $25 for members and $30 for nonmembers both of which include a buffet luncheon. The registration deadline is April 18, 1998. Vendors and ample parking available. For details, write Joan Sheviak, 3519 King Arthur Road, Annandale, VA 22003-1316. Call 703-560-7144. For membership information, write Dorothy Reed, 14710 Sherwood Drive, Greencastle, PA 17225-8403.

The speaker, Dr. John Philip Coletta, is well known and highly respected. He is an authority on genealogical resources and methods of family research. He will speak on Naturalization records: 1790-1920s; Lesser-Used Federal Records - Homestead Files & Passport Applications; How to Prepare for Research in Europe; and Exploring Ancestral Places — Tales of Research in Europe.

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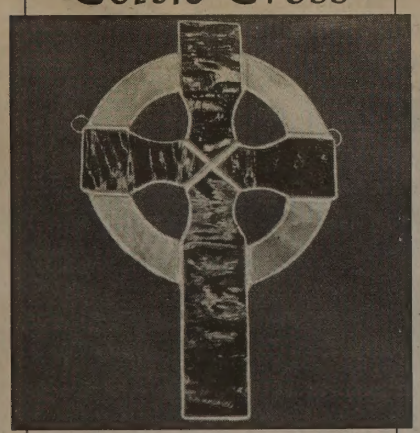

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S.C. Douglas, the author, is a lifelong student of the War Between the States (sometimes known as the "Second American Revolution") and remains active in the field of Historical Genealogy. Noted for his acute attention to detail, Douglas endeavors to provide his readers with factual, enlightening and thought-provoking investigations. An avid writer and researcher, he lives in rural northeastern Georgia.

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Flowers of the Forest

Margaret Trimble McCook died last October at 88. She was laid to rest in the family plot at Lizella Methodist Church, Lizella, Georgia. She was a member of Clan Donald USA.

Reba Ethel Douglass Grubb passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family on July 27, 1997. She especially valued her membership in and affiliation with the Clan Douglas Society of North America. She was, for many years, the "backbone" of their publication, *Dubh Ghlase*, and served on a variety of committees. She was a Life Member and the only female member of CDSNA to belong to the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland.

Lynda Noelle Geiger Drane, 53, of Manassas, Virginia died July 23, 1995. She was the wife of former Manassas, Virginia resident Lt. Col. James N. Drane (USAF ret.). She died in Alexandria, Virginia after a short illness. Mrs. Drane was born Dec. 20, 1941 and raised in Hermann, Missouri. She was interred in the City Cemetery there. In 1959, she graduated from Hermann High School. She was married to Lt. Col. Drane in 1971 in the Trinity Lutheran Church at New Haven, Missouri. She had been active in the music ministry and was an active member, with her husband, in the New Covenant Fellowship Church in Manassas. She is survived by her husband, one daughter, 6 grandchildren, her mother, two sisters and one brother.

Memorials may be made to the Lynda Drane Memorial Music Scholarship, PO Box 150, Hermann, MO 65041 - or to the cancer charity of your choice.

Edmund J. Douglass, longtime member of the Clan Douglas Society of North America, passed away July 22 after a long illness. He was 78.

Lt. Col. Troxell O. Mason, Sr., died April 25 at his home after a long illness. He was a longtime member of the Clan Douglas Society of North America. He was retired from the US Army, a veteran of the Korean War and World War II.

Wayne Harry Morrison of Sacramento, California, passed away last November 8. He had a distinguished career in the army and the civil service and also served as a pastor in the Pentecostal church. He was a member of the clan Morrison Society of North America.

Ivan Arthur MacArthur died last August 27 in Richmond, Virginia. During World War II, he served as a tank commander in northwest Europe from D-Day until the end of the hostilities. After World War II, he served as the Commanding Officer of the Princess of Wales Own Regiment of Kingston, Ontario, Canada. He was honorably discharged from the Canadian Armed Forces in 1957 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

A metallurgical engineer, he was educated at the Prince of Wales College and Queens University. Recognized as an international expert in his field, his career was closely involved with the NASA Saturn V space program, which put the first man on the moon.

Mr. MacArthur joined the fledgling Clan MacArthur Society in 1975, serving as its President from 1976 to 1981. He was called back again to serve as President of the Society from 1985. Under his leadership, the organization expanded from a small, localized unit to a worldwide organization of over 450 members.

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I have 30 pictures from the 1880s of my ancestors under the name **BALFOUR**. Some pictures include an 8 x 10 of a man **BALFOUR**, various pictures involving some ships from the 1800s. An example is the *HMS Rambler* docked at Malta. One pictures shows a couple (5 x 7) in front of Niagara Falls. Another shows **ABRAHAM LINCOLN** (5 x 7). On the back is **ABRAHAM LINCOLN's** signature, my grandfather's signature, **JOHN BALFOUR,** and a statement, "Given to me in 1925 by a Civil War veteran who was on duty the day Lincoln was shot." One picture involves natives of the Solomon Islands.

I have written Sotheby's in the eastern half of the USA, but was told to write Sotheby's in England. Does anyone have their address?
Some other pictures show family individual pictures under another name. If you have any information, please write **Dave Steward, 1070 Gateway Dr., Apt. 5, Lapeer, MI 48446. Call 810-664-8753.**

I need help. Can you give me any available information on my grandmother, **THERESA BLAYNEY,** born 20 September 1921? She was from Ballymena, County Antrim, Northern Ireland. Her parents were **WILLIAM BLAYNEY** (an Anglo-Norman surname) and **ROSE ANNE GILLESPIE** (probably part of the Irish Clan MacAnaspie). I am unable to find any information on her in any area. She came over the Atlantic in late 1949 or early 1950 on the *Queen Elizabeth I* to New York. Any information would be most helpful. **Keith A. Mamish, 177 Emonet Drive, Opebousas, CA 70570-0525.** (I publish bimonthly, Louisiana Roots, PO Box 383, Markesville, LA 77351. Email: laroots@earthlink.net Call 318-253-5413.)

Can anyone confirm a family tradition that the **SILKWOODS** came from the Isle of Skye and changed their name from **MacLEOD** because they supported **BONNIE PRINCE CHARLIE** in the 1745 uprising? Brothers (?) **SOLOMON, BARZILLAI SILKWOOD** first appear in Berkley Co., VA in 1782. **Lewis Hahn, 1951 N. Reed Station Rd., Carbondale, IL 62901.**

McQUEE, QUEE, QUAY - Seeking descendants of **ALEXANDER McQUEE** who married **SARAH (WHITE?).** All 11 children were probably baptised at Presbyterian Church, Horsham, Montgomery County, PA. Children: **ALEXANDER,** married **MARGARITA; JONATHAN,** married **SUSANNAH; SETH,** married **PRISCILLA WILLIAMS; CATHERINE,** who married **JENNINGS; SARAH,** married **NORTON; RACHEL,** married **TWADDLE; ESTHER** married **COLLINS; ABIGAIL** married **SLOCUM; MARGARET; SOPHIA; JAMES. ALEXANDER, JR.,** had a son, **JOHN ANDREW QUAY,** who migrated to the Helderbergs of New York, 1792. **Gladys Craven, 146 Sherman St., Schnectady, NY 12303.**

Seek information on the family of **VIRGINIA BLANCHE BEAL,** born 18 June 1922 and died 1 July, 1968. Mother's name, **HELEN MEHAFFEY.** Father's name, **EUGENE BEAL. VIRGINIA** was born New Cumberland, West Virginia. She had a brother named **KENNETH.** Please write: **Elizabeth Glendenning, 123 Fancy Bluff Rd. W., Brunswick, GA 31523.**

Looking for information on any related to the **CAWTHON, CAUTHON, COTHON, COTOM** names or who intermarried with them. Will respond to all with SASE. Am not writing book, but enjoy sharing and compiling precious information. **CAWTHON** line liked to intermarry frequently with: **BIRGE, ELLIOTT, GATES, GARMAN, HARDEN, HARDIN, HOLLIGAN, LENOX, LORD, PAYNE, RENFRO(E), SHIPP, SHIVES, SCHRIMMINGER, SERIMAGER, STACY, WALTERS, WOMMACK.** Thank you. **Jeanne Harden, 592 Alandale Dr., Tallmadge, OH 44278.**

GEORGE MONROE, born ca 1719, Albermarle, VA and married **ANN OSBORNE.** He died ca 1798, Rutherford Co., NC. Had land surveyed in 1747-48 in Albermarle Co., VA, under name of **GEORGE MUNRO. Kenneth Monroe, 10354 Carrollwood Lane, Apt. 191, Tampa, FL 33618-4721.**

Searching parents and other siblings of **JOHN HILL/HILLMAN COOK,** born 4 July 1837, VA. Father born TN. Mother born VA. Only known siblings, **GEORGE, ARTHUR.** On way home post Civil War, stopped Arkansas to recuperate. Married **FRANCES ELIZABETH JACKSON,** daughter of the family who took him in and nursed war injuries. Window's pension shows him Missouri Confederate unit. No official records. **David W. Cook, Rt. 1 Box 54, Lewisville, AR 71845.**

Seeking ancestors of **LEVIN WATKINS,** Revolutionary War veteran born 1740, Edgecombe Co., NC and died 1812 Duplin Co., NC. He married 1st **EDITH HILLARD** and 2nd **MRS. SARAH BECTON FONVILLE. Nancy Watkins, PO Box 2565, Gulfport, MS 39505.**

JOHN WILLIAM BRAZIER and **REBECCA RAWSON** married 21 July 1859 South Hackney, London, England. **GEORGE TUCKER** born 1842, married **FANNY CROCKER** born 1845. Also **JOHN CROSS** who married **MARY ANN ?** All born and died in England. I would like information on any of these families. **M. Corine Carter, 8411 Natalie Lane, Canoga Park, CA 91304.**

Seeking parents of **JOHN** and **MARY ROEBUCK** who were living in Edgefield District, SC in 1773. Their granddaughter, **LEVISA,** married **JOHN ALEXANDER** of Fairfield District, SC whose parents are also needed. **SARAH ALEXANDER,** daughter of **LEVISA** and **JOHN,** married **BARTLET GILCREASE. BARTLET'S** dad, **MINOR GILCREASE/GILCHRIST** is "thought" to be related to the family of Edgefield Co., SC. Does anyone know? **Karen Kay Esberger, PO Box 116, Midlothian, TX 76065.**

Seeking information on **ANDREW JACKSON MORRIS,** born ca 1800 in Chester, SC. He married **ELIZABETH NUNN,** born 1805 Chester Co., SC. Children: **LOFTON NUNN, VERDAND, MARY A., ELIJAH, MARTHA, DANIEL, ELISHA, CORDELIA, THOMAS, ZACHERIAH.** Any information would be helpful. **David K. Nelson, 4 Garden Court South, Rome, GA 30165.**

CARMACK/LAMB: ALEXANDER LAMB born 1782 PA, died 1862 Bledsoe Co., TN married 19 Aug. 1801 **ELIZABETH CARMACK** born Dec. 1779 VA. Who were their parents? First male child was **HUGH LAMB,** born 13 May 1805, married **ELIZABETH ANN ANDERSON** 30 Dec. 1827 Bledsoe Co., TN. Second male child was **CORNELIUS** born 18 January 1812 and died January 1870. Was **HUGH LAMB** on 1802 Smith Co., TN Tax Lists the father of **ALEXANDER?** Could either of **CORNELIUS CARMACK** from Overton Co., TN have been the father of **ELIZABETH CARMACK? ADAM LAMB** born ca 1785 PA, living in Bledsoe Co., TN was probably brother of **ALEXANDER LAMB. James Grayson McCoin, 312 Seven Oaks Trail, Knoxville, TN 37922. Call 615-539-0426.**

Looking for information on my grandparents on my mother's side: **SAM W. MORROW, IDA BROADWATER MORROW** of Philadelphia, PA. They married 29 July 1914. He worked for the railroad in the Philadelphia area. My mother, **GLADYS WILLETT MORROW,** was born 8 July 1916, was the eldest daughter. Nothing more is known to me. Any and all information would be appreciated. **Robert S. Caldwell, 1540 Schenley St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952.**

Joyce J. Norris, 220 Northwest Avenue, Swannanoa, NC 28778-2618 is seeking information on **ISSAC JUSTIS,** born 24 November 1836, died 19 August 1924 in Bartow, Co., GA, born NC. He and probably family members are buried in New Salem Cemetery, Kennesaw, GA. Would like to know the names of his parents. **JESSE JUSTIS,** born 10 September 1773, had daughters **MARY, EPSEY. JESSE** was in Newberry, SC in 1799, supposedly moved to northern Georgia. He was the eldest son of **JOHN JUSTIS(50 who was in Newberry before moving to western NC. Would like to know about descendants of JESSE** and his grandparents. **JOHN JUSTICE,** born 1762 in NC, died 1851 in Hancock Co., GA. His wife was **NANCY** and his children included **ISSAC,** born 1790; **MARY** married **DABNEY, RUSHIG; JAMES** moved to Pike Co., GA and married **MATILDA RIGGINS.** Would like to know the parents of the **JOHN JUSTICE,** born 1762, and to hear from descendants of these children.

WILLIAM McGIBBONEY/McGIBONEY born NC ca 1767 to GA by 1795 and settled in Greene Co., and married **NANCY CONE?.** Daughter **LUCRETIA** (born 1798) married **LITTLETON MAPP.** Desire additional data on **WILLIAM McGIBBONEY,** his parents, etc. Will exchange information. **Sharon B. Hamner, 1304 Salem Lane, Chapel Hill, NC 27516.**

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In your January-February issue, there was an article, "A Source Checklist On YOur Computer." For the last couple of years I've found it very hard to keep my genealogy research organized and have had problems keeping track of the items that I have. Ms. Hegners's idea was very good and well thought out. I really appreciate your magazine and this article. Both provide your readers more ideas when it comes to genealogy research. **Michele, TX**

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La Genealogia Italiana - Italian Pedigree

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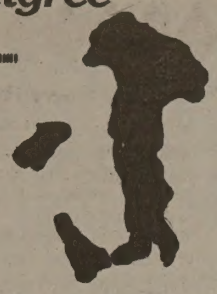
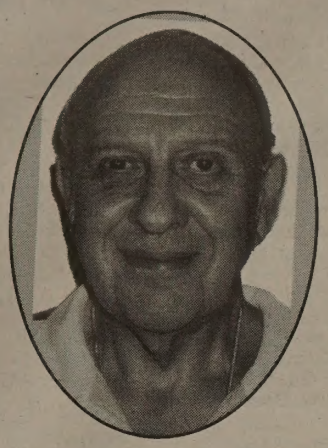


Before you dive into your Italian heritage with both feet, a little wisdom needs to be presented here.

Almost everyone who has decided to track down their Italian ancestors, does so without adequately preparing. When problems arise along the yellow brick road enroute to the land of OZ-Italy, they throw up their hands in typical Italian fashion and wonder where they went wrong. "How," they ask, "could I have known better before I began?"



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The answers are study...prepare...research...read.

It is genuinely helpful to have a fundamental understanding of Italian culture before embarking down the route to your roots. It's called ethnology. Let's consider an example. All Italians have black, shiny hair, olive skin, brown eyes, smell of garlic, wave their arms as they speak, are ignorant, religious fanatics and superstitious. Right? Wrong.

This concept, harbored by many non-Italians, is known as stereotyping.

When pursuing your genealogy, you will discover, as I did, that there are no "typical" Italians. The ethnic genetics of Italo-Americans whose forebearers are rooted in Italy vary considerably. It is true that more Italians have dark hair than light, as an example, but in no way are all Italians black-haired. This mistaken attitude on the part of non Italians is as wrong as referring to this race of people as "Eye-talian."

When your ancestors pop out of obscurity as you uncover their names, vital dates and places or origin, you'll realize that while certain patterns are distinguishable, others are not. Do not enter the world of genealogical research with any predetermined notions and you won't be surprised.

If you expect every male ancestor to be named after his grandfather, you'll be wrong. If you believe every ancestor was a contadino, a peasant farmer, you'll be wrong. If you thought every forebearer was Roman Catholic, you'll be wrong again. These are some of the genealogical stereotypes we all believe, until, we delve into the business of unearthing our progenitors.

My own paternal grandfather, from Southern Italy, had blue eyes and light hair. Contrary to popular belief, he was the more religious of my grandparents. We are led to believe that Italian churches are filled with only women and children. Nonno Domenico was an altar boy, rang the church bells at six every morning for years, learned to read and write thanks to his closeness to the parish priests, and may have even entertained a religious vocation at one time. He was the first Lascio in history who was literate.

This ethnology we're discussing is a special study which analyzes the aspects of a specific culture encompassing the culture's

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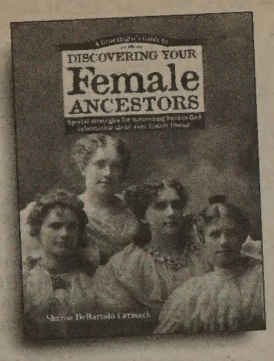

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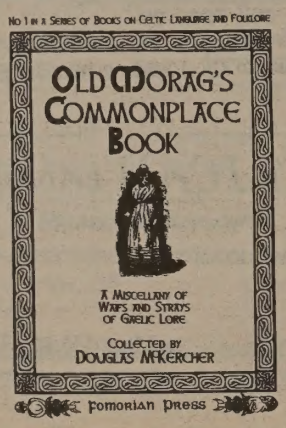

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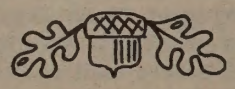

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Highland Dancing originated in the Highlands of Scotland in the 11th century. Margaret, wife of king Malcolm Canmore, introduced popular Norman (French) entertainments at the Scottish Court and it is likely that Modern Ballet and Highland Dancing had common roots in the classical dances of the day. While all of the dances you will see at the Highland Games are loosely called Highland Dances; they are actually divided into Highland and National Dances. The Highland Dances, which require a great deal of stamina were originally performed only by men, often before and after battle. When Highland Dancing as a competition was started during the Highland Revival of the Victorian era, these dances were for man only. Many of the National dances were originally choreographed for women and the focus is more on graceful movements than physical strength.

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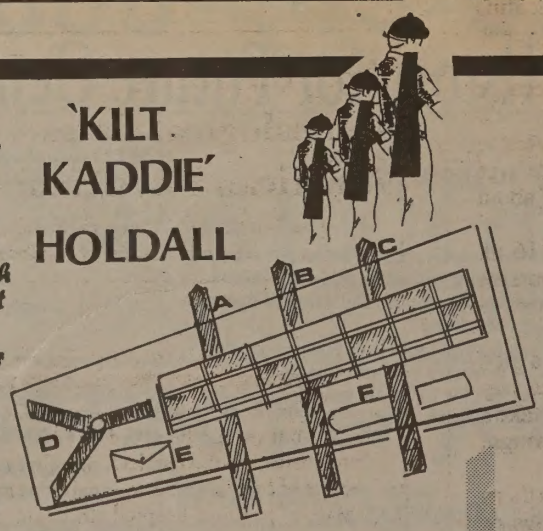

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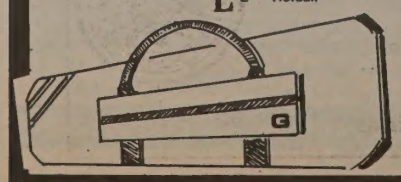

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The Stone & the Obsessed

In the last issue of *The Family Tree*, I related the tale of my travels to Poland to find my ancestral hometowns, archives and cemeteries. I ended the article with the exciting news that I found my great-great-great-great grandmother's tombstone in Toszek (Tost, Kreis Kattowitz, Upper Silesia, Germany) and added "that's another story."

Here is the rest of the story.

Upon our arrival in Katowice, we checked into the Hotel Warszawa, a very elegant high rise hotel unlike anything we saw on our 1989 trip to Poland. We received instructions to the regional national archive branch on ul. Josephowska which is behind another building, up a long walkway and looks like what I imagined a Russian detention center to look like.

We had to get a special permit from the guard at the bottom of the hill using our passports and my letter of introduction from the National Archives in Warsaw.

When we entered this fortress, we inquired in German who we should see about viewing old civil records. A woman told us that we could not see them ourselves and asked for our list of desired documents which she would look up, copy and mail to me in America, with the bill, of course.

I told her I had not come all the way from California for this, insisted that I could see them and produced my permission letter. She realized I was not going away, so she left and brought back another woman who also spoke German. She led us to a wonderful research room, equipped with microfilm and microfiche readers, large desks for research and camera mounted in each corner of the ceiling. She then produced an inventory index of the archive's holdings and instructed us to fill out a separate form for each book of records we desired.

After doing this, we received our first batch in 1/2 hour, but we did not have enough time to look at everything because the summer hours are only from 9 am til 2 pm. We requested to come back the next day and finish our project. After indicating what we wanted copied, we were read the rules for payment, vastly different from what we experienced in Sliwice (free, due to a kind archivist in a small town), Bydgoszca (2 zlotys because we had a Polish citizen with us), and Czestochowa (militantly demanded $10 per page). The first page was an equivalent to $10, each page thereafter was $5 and a copy of the index was given to me as a special deal at the Polish citizen rate of about 60 cents a page.

In the afternoon, we visited the Jewish cemetery at 16 ul. Kozielska. I was fortunate that we met the caretaker outside the cemetery because he could let us in the locked cemetery which is still in use by the small Jewish community in Katowice and surrounding areas. He forbid me to take pictures as a sign on the wall also indicated, but I pleaded that I came all the way from America to visit my relatives' graves and wanted to take a picture home with me. He pretended to look away as I brought three cameras inside.

Since all the other Jewish cemeteries I had found in northern Poland were either just lands or fields, with no markings or stones or in decrepit condition, this was the first attempt to actually photograph a large cemetery with tombstones.

All the rules about photographing in cemeteries did not hold up against the reality of the situation. The older part was overgrown with weeds, the umbrella of trees above obscured most of the daylight and the mosquitoes were the size of hummingbirds. There was no need for my tripod because I had to hurriedly move from stone to stone before the caretaker grew impatient by my intrusion.

I took hand-held pictures of the tombstones with my wide angle/close up intrusion, documented the whole area with my small point and shoot camera, while my husband videotaped an overview of the whole cemetery.

I would have liked to write down the information on the stones, but did not have the luxury of time to do so.

We had to move weeds from tombstones, brush spider webs off the carved letters and I had to use my flash attachment for most of the pictures.

None of this was conductive to the finest photographic methods I have learned or lecture about.

The next day we headed out to Pyskowice (about an hour away) which took longer because of detours caused by Poland's historic flooding the month before our arrival. This town was where my grandmother, Frieda Wachsmann Karliner was born and lived with her family, the Wachsmanns and Perls. The woman in the local archive there zealously guarded her civil records, and although she found several documents I wanted, she would not copy them for me for any amount of money.

She offered me transcripts which I did not want - I wanted a copy of my relative's actual signatures on birth, marriage and death documents. No amount of pleading or crying resulted in success. We left the archive and I did not know if the water running down my face was from the rain outside or from my own tears of disappointment.

So, we had lunch in the town square and ate a traditional Polish dish my grandmother used to prepare, called *bigus*, a hunter stew.

The rain continued as we headed for Toszek, the ancestral home of the Wachsmann end-of-the-line ancestors I knew about. In driving rain, I asked an old man, in German, if he knew where the old Jewish cemetery was and he rattled off directions in Polish, pointing out of town, further down the road we were on. After many tries up and down that road, we finally figured out that the walled area at the outskirts of town must be the cemetery. With umbrellas unfurled, we circumnavigated the three walls available to us from the road. The front, where the gate should have been, was a five foot by 8 foot piece of thick plywood, braced by many stakes on the inside of what was the old cemetery. The two side walls were about six feet high,

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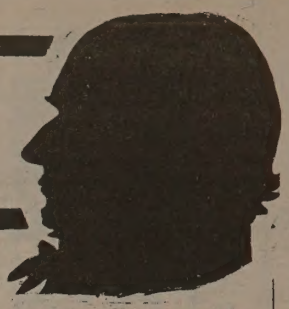

CURBELO

The first documented arrival of a Curbelo in the United States was of Juan Curbelo, who was born in Lancerote, Canary Island in 1680. The Canary Islands are located off the western coast of Africa and belong to Spain. Juan and his wife, Garcia Perdomo y Ympienes, were one of sixteen families that were sent by King Felipe V to Nueva Espana to colonize the wilderness of Tejas.

Juan and Garcia accompanied by their three children, Joseph (25 years old), Maria (13 years old) and Juan Francisco (9 years old), arrived in Vera Cruz on June 19, 1730. Stopping only to resupply and rest, they traveled through Mexico and arrived in present day San Antonio, Texas on March 9, 1731. The colonizers received land, seeds and livestock.

Juan Curbelo was named second regidor of San Fernando de Bexar and was responsible for the administration of the prison. He was 50 years old and his office was for life. It may have been that his stature ("tall and broad-shouldered") determined his being selected for the job. His descendants became leaders in the military and in the ranch community.

In 1759, Jose Antonio, the grandson of Juan Curbelo, was commissioned by Governor Domingo Cabello to give the King of Spain a collection of Lipan buffalo skins, six buffalo (4 male and 2 female). Only 2 of the buffalo survived the journey to Spain. In 1780, Jose Antonio was named vice-governor in charge of supervising political matters for the Spanish Kingdom. Among all the government offices in San Antonio, 16 alcaldes were descendants of Curbelo.

In addition to the three children that accompanied Juan and his wife from the Canary Islands, two more children are documented; Maria Ana and Juana. Mimi Lozano Holtzman traces her line to Juana Curbelo through her maternal great-great-grandmother, Manuela Arocha.

Juana Curbelo married Francisco Joseph Arocha and was the great-great-great grandmother of Manuela Arocha.

Other surnames in this line: Arocha, Hernandez, Urrutia, Salinas, Rodriquez, Granados and Menchaca.

Irish notes...

Irish researchers will be glad to hear that the bishop's permission is no longer required to examine registers from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise which covers parts of counties Cavan, Leitrim, Longford, Offaly, Roscommon, Sligo and Westmeath.

Sadly, The Valuation Office will no longer be able to make copies of the valuation maps due to their fragile condition. The Valuation Office will continue to operate in its present location at 6 Ely Place, Dublin 2, Ireland, until at least April 1998.

The first part of an index to the surviving returns of the 1766 Religious Census of Ireland has been published by Australia's Immigration and Family History Centre. You may contact the center at PO Box 937, Hervey Bay, Queensland 4655, Australia.

With the increased popularity of Clan gatherings, a Clans of Ireland office has been established to help organize gatherings of the 243 Irish clans whose names have been researched so far. Contact the Clans of America, c/o Genealogical Office, 2 Kildare St., Dublin, 2, Ireland.

Church of Ireland records will help

Church of Ireland records held at Cobh, County Cork, extensively cover the baptisms, marriages and interments of the families of British servicemen based in the area approximately 1760, and these show against each entry, the name of the army unit or HM ship on which the husband served. A research fee of $20, which goes to the church, is charged. As the searches are done by hand - be patient.

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Griffiths also provides a Householders Surname Index to both Griffiths and the Tithes that can be used to track the incidence of your surname and on occasion this can locate possible places where your ancestor lived. These records are not for the beginning researcher!

Lastly, Griffiths can form the basis for further searches of land records help in Dublin, at the Valuation Office. There you can actually track the possession of the land from about 1853 until the early 1930s through subsequent valuations. Additionally since Griffiths provides you with the name of the landowner, sometimes if they were large landowners, you can then access their estate records through the National Library or the National Archives.

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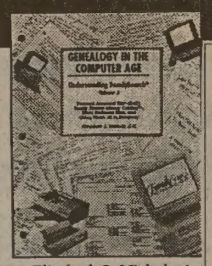

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Membership in Clan Munro Association USA and Scotland and is open to Munros, their descendants and families and of some Septs bearing the names, Vass, Wass, Foulis, Fowlis, Dingwall, Macculloch and Maclullich.

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The Clan Munro Association USA, Inc., is the only official Munro Clan organization in the United States and it is affiliated with the Scotland Clan Munro at Foulis Castle in Ross-shire, Scotland, hereditary home and seat of Clan Munro.

In August 1997, over 200 United States Clan Munro members journeyed to Foulis for their 29th annual USA Gathering and to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the founding of Clan Munro (Association) Scotland.

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Danus Skene, Chief of Clan Skene Honored Guest at Loch Norman, NC

In correspondence between the Catawba Valley Scottish Society and Danus Skene, Chief of Clan Skene, during the events of the past year, there was much discussion of the political changes in Scotland and the perception in the United States of present day Scotland. The Society has invited Chief Skene to hold a seminar at the Loch Norman Highland Games to give us an introduction to present day Scotland the political and economic atmosphere just north of England.

Danus Skene, Chief of Clan Skene writes, "Since visiting Grandfather Mountain in 1996, I have felt strongly that there is a need for Scotland and the Scottish-American community to get to know each other better and for forward-looking purposes. Scots are shamefully unaware of the extent of the movement in North America which has flourished through the Clan associations and the fostering of an awareness of Scottish tradition and culture. Scottish-Americans in their turn are, in my view, too inclined to dwell on Scottish glories long past and largely mythological. We need to channel some of the famous American energy into supporting modern Scotland through a period of national renewal, but first we need debate as to how that can happen on a well-informed basis."

Skene continues, "I intent to be present at Loch Norman in April of '98 to take discussion forward. 1997 was the year in which the decision was taken to reestablish a Scottish Parliament, for which the first elections will be held in May of 1999. In discussions at the Loch Norman Games, I look forward to an opportunity to talk about something of the dynamics of contemporary Scotland that has taken us to this important point. In discussion, I would hope to focus on how Scottish-Americans can sharpen their own identity by interacting with Scottish developments, and how they can help Scotland itself back to its national feet."

"As a Clan chief, as a political science graduate of an American university and as a modern Scot involved in the politics of my country, I feel myself to be well placed to promote debate, and I hope you can join me," Skene concluded.

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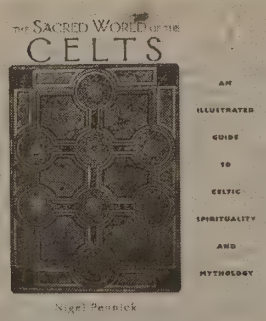

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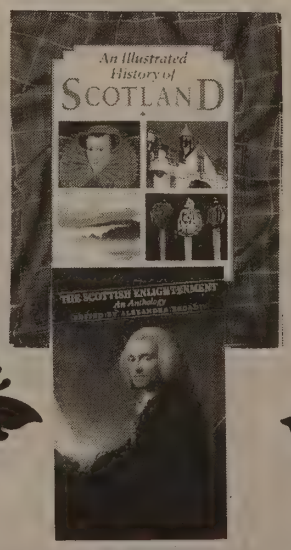

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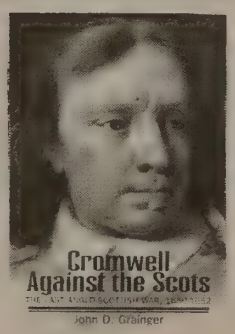

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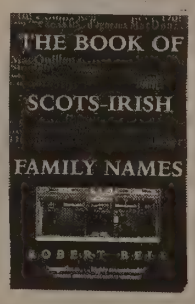

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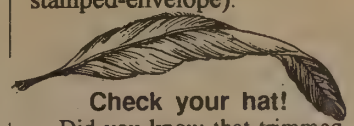

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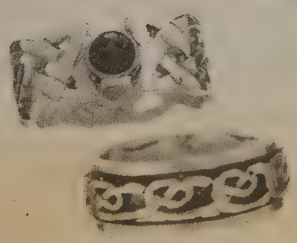

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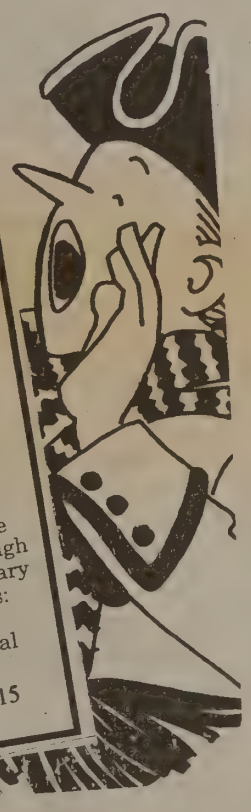

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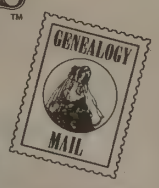

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A House for Ealasaid

Betty Whamond Wurtz

Ian stood hesitantly before the intricately carved massive oak door of Ramsey Hall, nervously fingering his work cap in his hand. He liked Annie's sister Margaret and her husband Andrew, but this stately house, so different from his thatched roof blackhouse, always humbled him.

He was a proud man and he hated having to curry favor—this was going to be the hardest begging he'd ever had to do. But, he had no choice...he owed it to his beloved Annie and the wee bairn Ealasaid. He drew himself up to his full height and determinedly took the brass door knocker in his hand and struck it against the plate three times.

Still, he was unprepared when Margaret opened the door so quickly.

"Why, John MacDougall, how nice to see you!" Margaret said with genuine pleasure. (Unlike Annie, Margaret never spoke Gaelic and always called him by his full name, in English.)

"Come in. Come in!" she added, opening the door wide.

"Thank ye, Margaret," Ian replied, stepping inside.

Margaret reached for Ian's cap, but he quickly said, "I'll keep it if'n you not mindin'."

Margaret, aware of her brother-in-law's agitated state, graciously acquiesced and said, "Come into the parlor, John. Andrew's just lit the fire and I'll have Agnes bring us some tea and scones."

Ian didn't want to stay for tea, but felt he needed to do whatever Margaret suggested. When they entered the parlor, Andrew looked surprised, but greeted Ian warmly.

"How nice to see you, John. How are those sons of yours and the bairn Elizabeth?" (Andrew didn't even *know* Gaelic.)

"James and Charles are well into their apprenticeships and David's not far behind. Alexander, he's only 12, ye know, has trouble w' th' mitering, but he gets better all the time. James and Charles have sold enough of their pieces to pay the wet nurse for Eala...uh, Elizabeth. But, she's why I've come to see ye," Ian finished quietly.

"She's not ill, is she?" Margaret interjected sharply.

"Nae, nae, she's going fine," Ian assured Margaret, whose three daughters had died in infancy. "But, the sons and me felt she needs a real family and with us cabinetmaking all over Angus and Perth, the wet nurse, Sarah, often takes her to her own house and only brings her back for us to see her on Sunday," Ian said with a touch of bitterness. "James came t'me t'other night and said, 'The bairn DESERVES a family, not just a wet nurse.' I dinna' lak to hear it, but I knew he was right and so I've come to ask if ye'd take Ealasaid into your home and hearts. Her brothers and I will come visit her every Sunday, but we'd like her to have a woman who would love and care for her as my Annie would have had she lived. We're prepared to pay ye for her care..." Ian stopped abruptly, not used to making such a long speech.

Andrew looked at Margaret and saw tears brimming in her eyes. There was nothing he wouldn't do for this lovely lass who had been governess at Malcolm MacAlistair's when he first saw her. He remembered the remonstrations of Malcom when Andrew told him of his intention to ask for Margaret's hand in marriage.

"Andrew, you are NOT titled, but you ARE landed gentry, and as such can aspire to more than a governess," said his friend, Malcolm.

But Andrew, was adamant about marrying for love. And, he had done so.

Margaret's grandparents *had* been landed gentry, but through the primogeniture system, Margaret's father, William, the youngest child, had inherited almost nothing. Nonetheless, William Stewart had educated both his sons and daughters and Margaret had become an exemplary wife and mother.

The greatest heartache in their marriage was that none of their daughters had survived infancy and Andrew what a source of sadness that was for Margaret.

Andrew rose from his chair and taking Margaret's hand, said, "We'd consider it a privilege, John, but we'll not abide any talk of payment. Right, Margaret?"

Margaret went to John and took both his hands in hers. "John MacDougall," she said, "I know how hard it is for you to part with wee Elizabeth, but I promise you we will love and care for her as if she were her own."

Overcome with gratitude, Ian stood and said, "Well, it's settled then. The sons will be glad of that. I'll be going along now, but we'll bring her to you on Sunday, if you'll be having her then."

"Do stay for tea," Margaret entreated.

But, Ian shook his head and Margaret decided not to press the issue. "Sunday, will be fine," she said. She walked to the door and kissed him lightly on the cheek. "You're a fine man, Ian MacDougall, and my sister was lucky to have you as her husband," Margaret said as she opened the door.

Flustered by Margaret calling him Ian for the first time, he stammered, "Thank ye, Margaret," and putting his cap on, disappeared into the night.

And so it came to pass that every Sunday, the MacDougall Men, as they had come to be called by the villagers, appeared at Ramsey Hall in their best outfits, to spend the day with wee Elizabeth. Her brothers vied for her attention, but also enjoyed spending time with their cousins, Malcolm, George and Ernest.

Elizabeth loved these visits as much as her brothers, but on her second birthday, her father said to Margaret and Andrew, "I think it's time for the bairn to be coming to Kirk with our family and maybe spending the day with us at our blackhouse, if'n you wouldn't be minding. I think it's what Annie would like."

Margaret looked alarmed, so Ian quickly added, "She'll still be livin' with you, but the sons and I thought she ought to get to know her real home."

"I think that's a splendid idea," Andrew interjected before Margaret could respond and added, "I'm sure Margaret does too."

He took Margaret's hand and squeezed it. Margaret smiled at Ian and Andrew, and said, "Of course, I do."

Elizabeth was fascinated by the little blackhouse with its thatched roof—so different from Aunt Margaret's and Uncle Andrew's elegant home. After several months, she begin to

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Original stories for our "Blackhouse Dollhouse" from Betty Whamond Wurtz

Betty Whamond Wurtz is a graduate of the University of Chicago and is a retired Licensed Professional Counselor. She is married with 7 children and 15+ grandchildren. She has published several professional articles and has recently begun writing fiction, especially Scottish romance stories.

She is researching her paternal grandfather's family, the Whamonds from Kirriemuir/Dundee. Her great grandparents, Jane McDougall and David Whamond had 11 children. Five stayed in Scotland and six emigrated to the USA. Her grandfather, Alexander Anderson Whamond was the sixth child. He arrived in Chicago from Dundee in 1890, went to medical school and became a very prominent physician. In 1912, he built his own hospital, which he named Robert Burns Hospital. He was listed in the *Who's Who in Chicago* until his death in 1948. (If you should have information on this family of Whamond, contact Mrs. Wurtz at 2025 Pauline Court, Ann Arbor, MI 48103.)

Mrs. Wurtz responded to our request for stories that would explain how our Blackhouse Dollhouse could be furnished so elegantly. The winner of the Blackhouse Dollhouse, which will be given away during the Scottish Weekend in Moultrie, will receive copies of all the stories submitted, along with the dollhouse.

The restoration of the memorial to the battle of Glen Fruin

The Battle Of Glen Fruin at which, on the 7th February 1603 the MacGregors, led by their Clan Chief, trapped the Colquhouns at the head of the glen and massacred some 140 men had been marked by a memorial stone.

After the fight, the MacGregors made off with some 600 cows, 800 sheep and goats, plus 300 horses, having lost only two men in the fight.

It was shortly after this battle that the MacGregor name was proscribed by James VI, but they were pardoned some 60 years later for services rendered to King Charles II.

The stone marking the event had deteriorated such that the inscription was no longer readable, so the Helensburgh Heritage Trust decided to restore that historic memorial.

The inscription is now clear for all to see and the restored stone was unveiled at a ceremony on the 11th October by representatives of Clan Greger and Clan Colquhoun - Ian MacGregor and Niall Colquhoun. They shook hands in a symbolic gesture, as had happened a few hundred years before when representatives of the two clans had met to end their differences.

The friends of Loch Lomand were pleased to give financial support to the Helensburgh Heritage Trust for this restoration, which was also supported by the British Petroleum and the Clan MacGregor Society. The inscription on the stone reads:

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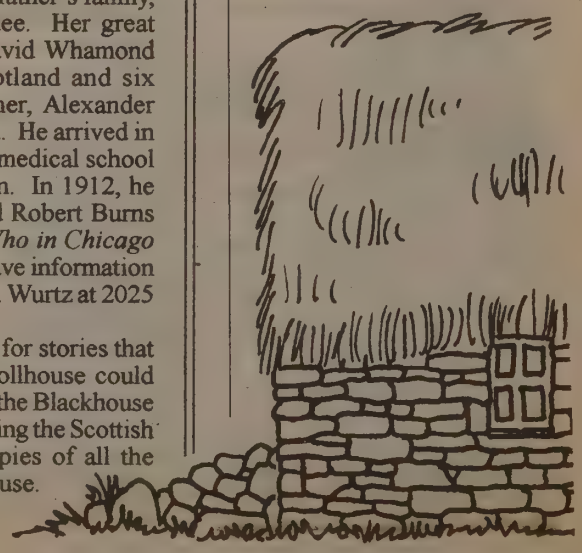

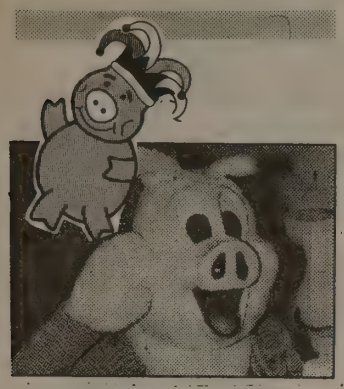

Mo Hawg writes for *The Family Tree*

Her name was what?

One of the stories going around Moultrie is: If Sandra Locke married Elliott Ness, got a divorce and married Herman Munster — she would be, Sandra Locke Ness Munster. That's made up, besides being a "groaner" joke.

In truth, there is a tombstone that says: "Here lies the body of Mary Ann Fiddle, Who for years was courted by Henry Dee Dee. So that late in her life, she became Henry's wife...and thus became known as "Fiddle Dee Dee."

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Riesige — Swiss Mercenaries

Although Switzerland is known for its unwavering neutrality and international diplomacy, not all of its residents have continually abstained from battle. From the 15th century to the 19th, over one million Swiss mercenaries, known as *Riesige* or "giants." They served in foreign armies, sometimes on opposing sides.

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SCV National Educational Committee initiates a student exchange program with Brazil

Following the War Between the States, thousands of unreconstructed Confederate families emigrated to Brazil.

In early 1997, Daniel Carr de Muzio, Commander of Confederados Camp @16453, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Americana, Brazil, requested that the Sons of Confederate Veterans National Educational Committee initiate a student exchange program providing opportunities for youth to renew their ties to the south, its culture, people and language.

The Georgia Division, SCV, accepted responsibility for the proposed project. In August 1997, the Division Camp families were selected to host the half-dozen students scheduled to visit Georgia in 1998. The Georgia Division of Confederados and the Sons of Confederate Veterans National Education Committee will jointly manage this most ambitions outreach program.

To solidify the hemispheric collaboration, Commander Allen M. Trapp, Jr., Commander of the Georgia Divison of the SCV, traveled to Brazil in November as a guest of the annual "Fiesta Confederado."

For those who would like information concerning the student exchange program, contact darryl.brock@GriffinCom.com

A 45 minute video, made at a Confederado Southern Heritage Festival is now available. For additional information on the video call 954-963-4857. Email at pon@ix.netcom.com

General James Longstreet birthsite monument dedicated

An eight-foot-high granite monument has been dedicated on the actual birth site of Lieutenant General James Longstreet, CSA at the corner of Country Club Hills Road and Mealing Road in North Augusta, South Carolina (Edgefield County).

The keynote speaker was Dr. William Garrett Piston, author of *Lee's Tarnished Lieutenant: James Longstreet and His Place in Southern History.*

Several national prominent civic and political leaders attended as well as many Longstreet family descendants. The Sergeant Berry Greenwood Benson Camp 1672, Sons of Confederate Veterans sponsored the event.

For more information about the monument, contact Steven W. Longcrier, 3412 Wrightsboro Rd., Suite 902, Box 109, Augusta, GA 30909. Mr. Longcrier is South Carolina Division SCV Historian and First Lieutenant Commander of the Camp.

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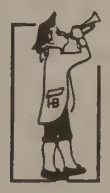

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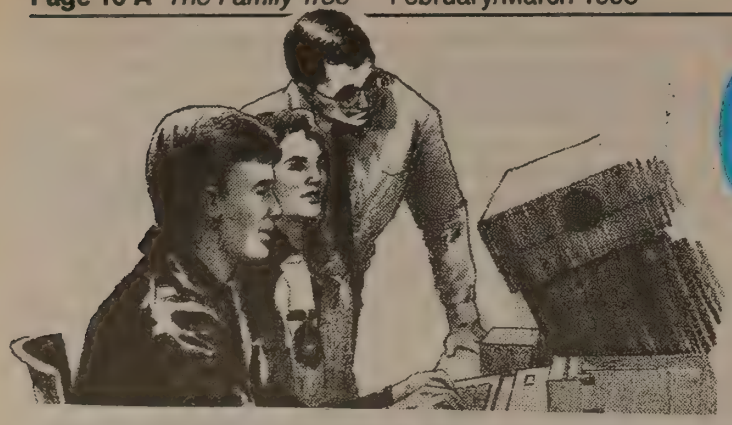

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surrounded by another brick wall topped with barbed wire (to protect the site from vandalism). There was no way to enter the cemetery.

My husband, tired of my compulsion, and the futility of our quest, went to the car.

I unsuccessfully ran around, unburdened by my umbrella, trying to enter the cemetery. I simply took a picture from the plywood barricade of what I thought was a tall tombstone that seemed to call to me, "We've been waiting for you..." We returned to the hotel, soaking wet and depressed by our failure.

To be continued...

Remember Humpty Dumpty?

Xavier Allen writes, in *The Highland Fling*: Many people don't realize what innocent nursery rhymes truly relate to: "Humpty Dumpty" relates to King James IV of Scotland, who died at Flodden in 1513.

He was a very large man who rode the largest horse in 16th century Scotland nicknamed "The Wall." As he rode The Wall along a cliffside to join his troops, the horse slipped and the two fell to their deaths.

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.
All the king's horses, and all the king's men,
Couldn't put Humpty Dumpty together again.

Looking up *Humpty Dumpty* in my set of *My Bookhouse* Books (WONDERFUL books for children...) your editor found the childhood rhyme, *Little Jack Horner*. A note under that rhyme says, "Jack Horner was a man who really lived in 16th century England, and the plum he pulled out was a fine estate which he got out of lands seized by Henry VIII from the church."

Over the hill
to feed my sheep
Over the hill
to Charley
Over the hill
to feed my sheep
On buckwheat
cakes and barley.

Kentucky Mountains

Charley's neat
and Charley's sweet;
Charley he's c
Every ti
he goes to
He gets
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While browsing in my nursery rh these two poems j out. The note at th the page says, mountaineers kep memory of Bon Charley. Opp Scotland for the Stuart pretende English throne, th Kentucky and Te the 18th century."

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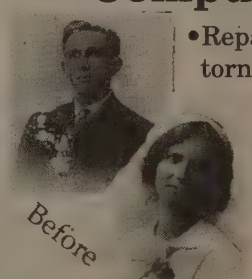

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We were "Redshanks" once upon a time...

In the seventeenth century, knitting was widely practiced in the rural areas and towns of Scotland. In early times, the Scotsmen were barelegged. "The legs of these men, through constant exposure to the elements, were permanently tanned to a deep red brown color which gave them the nickname of 'Redshanks.'"

The leg coverings worn with the kilt were leggings of cut-and-sewn fabric, usually linen. The hose, reaching to the knee and leaving the rest of the leg bare, was made with the same material as the kilt. They were tied below the knee with tufted garters.

Knitting found its way to Scotland by way of the traders who visited Scottish ports or via English contacts. The English used knitting, as they did the ban on Highland dress after the battle of Culloden in 1746, to subdue the rebellious Scots.

The English were fearful of the Scottish preference for hunting and herding and attempted to settle the Highland folk into "useful" occupations. Knitting was taught as a way to create docile and obedient subjects. The knitters who lived near Aberdeen in the northeast Scotland specialized in hand-knit stockings. The knitters, known as shankers, were usually women, but sometimes also old men and boys. The knitter was also frequently the spinner and would make more money. A good knitter could finish two pairs of stockings a week if someone else spun the yarn for her.

When the steel needles were not in use, they were stored in a barrel of oatmeal to keep from rusting.

Merchants from Aberdeen would visit the homes of the shankers and would often exchange wool in trade for the knitted stockings. The stockings were exported to ports far from Scotland. Scottish traders sold stockings throughout Europe.

Parliament stipulated in 1720 that "each pair of stockings made in Scotland for sale should be of one type of yarn and even workmanship."

Cloth hose, cut and sewn from tartan, were the leg coverings preferred by the Highlanders and people of the Western Isles, even after knitting had taken hold elsewhere in Scotland. It wasn't until the nineteenth century that knitting gained a stronghold in these areas, due in part to a famine in 1846-1848, during which some landowners encouraged women to knit to supplement their meager incomes.

As a substitute for the cloth hose worn with the tartan kilt, the knitters developed Argyle patterning. Argyle stockings are made flat on two needles and a separate ball of wool is used for each of the diamond-shaped pattern areas, which have lines running through the centers. At first the tartan hose consisted only of two colors, such as black and white or red and black. Women knitted as they walked, with kishies on their backs filled with woolen stockings, caps, shawls, and gloves. They knitted as they tended sheep or walked carrying baskets of peat on their backs. The women of the skerries (offshore islands) knit as they traveled to Whalsey or

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It's the year of "The Mighty 600th"

Plans are progressing for the Prince Henry Sinclair Celebration in New England in the fall of thisyear. Prince Henry is becoming a well-known name in the United States when discussing pre-Colombian voyage.

On February 21, 1998 in Moultrie, Georgia at the Odom Library, a Scottish Weekend will honor Prince Henry Sinclair and Clan Sinclair. President David Bouschor and Gloria Bouschor will attend to represent Clan Sinclair.

Many Highland Games will also honor Prince Henry Sinclair and his 1398 Voyage to the New World.

The culminating event will begin at the Loon Mountain Highland Games on September 18-20 when Clain Sinclair and Clan Gunn Will be the Honored Clans.

For more information on the 600th Anniversary of the Voyage of Prince Henry, contact The Prince Henry Project, PO Box 158, Worcester, MA 01613.

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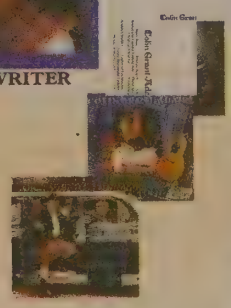

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Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee would have been how old this Jan.?

Henry Lee "Light Horse Harry" (1756-1818) would have been 242 years old this past 29 January.

Lee, soldier and public official was born at Leesylvania, his family's estate in Prince William County, Virginia. He was graduated from the College of New Jersey (now Princeton) in 1773. His plans for a career in the law were abandoned with the outbreak of the Revolution.

In 1776 he became a captain in the cavalry and in 1778 was made a major and given a command consisting of three troops of cavalry and three companies of infantry that was soon called "Lee's Legion, "Light Horse Harry," as he came to be known, and his Legion won one of the most dramatic victories of the war in storming and capturing the fort at Paulus Hook, New Jersey (now Jersey City) on 19 August 1776. Lee's reputation as a brilliant cavalry officer was enhanced in the Southern theater after he was sent to aid General Nathanael Greene in the Carolina Campaign; fought with distinction at Guilford Courthouse, Eutaw Springs and Augusta.

Lee, by then, a lieutenant colonel, participated in the victorious siege of Yorktown that essentially ended the Revolution. A hero at war's end, and a comrade and confident of General George Washington, he became active in Virginia politics.

He served concurrently, from 1785 to 1788 in the state legislature and in the Continental Congress, and voted for ratification of the new federal Constitution in 1788.

He later served three terms from 1792-1795, as governor of Virginia.

When Washington asked his aid in suppressing the Whisky Rebellion of 1794 he complied.

After one term in the House of Representatives, 1799-1801, he retired from politics.

At the death of Washington, he wrote a Congressional Resolution containing the words he spoke in an address in Philadelphia a short time later, perhaps the most famous eulogy in American history: "First in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

After 1800, he became involved in land speculation that ruined him financially.

In 1808-1809, he was confined to debtor's prison where he wrote his memoirs.

In July 1812, he was injured in a Baltimore riot while defending the editor of an anti-war newspaper. His health deteriorated after that and during his last years, he left his family in Virginia and lived in the West Indies, hoping for a recovery.

He died at Cumberland Island, Georgia on 25 March 1818, while attempting to return home before expiring.

He was the father, by his second wife, of General Robert E. Lee.

With thanks to *The Hornet's Nest*, the publication of the Georgia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

The story of the POW/MIA flag...

In 1971, Mrs. Michael Hoff, a MIA wife, recognized the need for a symbol representing our prisoners of War and Missing in Action. Prompted by an article in the Jacksonville *Florida Times-Union*, Mrs. Hoff contacted Norman Rivkees, Vice-president of Annin & Co., which had made a banner for the newest member of the United Nations — The People's Republic of China, as part of their policy to provide flags to all UN member nations. Mrs. Hoff found Mr. Rivkees very sympathetic to the POW/MIA issue and he, along with Annin's advertising agency, designed a flat to represent our missing men.

Since its inception, this flag - designed on behalf of American POW/MIA's from the Vietnam War, has come to represent our missing men. countrymen and women from all wars. The POW/MIA flag has beenruled legally to be "Public Doman" as is the American flag. Therefore, it cannot be claimed as the sold property by any organization or individual.

The POW/MIA flag flew over the White House for the first time on National POW/MIA Recognition Day, 1988. On March 9, 1989, it was installed in the United States Capitol Rotunda. This occurred as a result of legislation passed overwhelmingly during the 100th Congress and additionally, in a rare demonstration of bipartisan Congressional support, the leadership of both Houses hosted the installation ceremony.

Further, by joint Congressional Resolution, the POW/MIA flag — the only flag ever displayed in the US Capitol Rotunda — stands as a powerful symbol of national commitment to American Prisoners of War and Missing in Action.

On August 10, 1990, the 101st Congress passed US Public Law 1201-355, which recognized the POW/MIA flag and designated it, "as a symbol of our Nation's concern and commitment to resolving as fully as possible the fates of Americans still prisoner, missing and unaccounted for in Southeast Asia, thus ending the uncertainty for their families and the nation."

The POW/MIA flag's importance lies in the continued visibility of this symbol as a constant reminder of the plight of America's POW/MIA's. Other than Old Glory, the POW/MIA flag is the only flag to fly over the White House and has flown in this place of honor on every National POW/MIA Recognition Day since 1982.

In addition, the POW/MIA flag flies on Veteran's Day and Memorial Day at the National Vietnam Veterans Memorial, on Federal and State buildings, at each National Cemetery and at military installations worldwide. It also flies at countless additional locations (including the library in Moultrie) throughout the nation every day of the year.

With thanks to *Task Force Omega, Inc.*, via The Scottish-American Military Society, Ltd., *The Roughrider Impact.*

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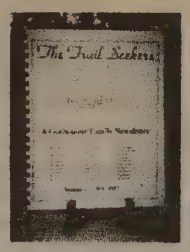

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A House for Ealasaid, *continued from page 14A*

ask if she couldn't "just stay here" whenever it was time to return to Ramsey Hall. Ian gave her the same explanation every Sunday. "You canna be here alone, Ealasaid." He always added, "We'll not discuss it further."

Elizabeth always obeyed Ian, but her disappointment broke Ian's heart and he always wanted to take her in his arms and tell her she could stay forever. His sons knew how hard this was for their father, especially James, the oldest, who was closest to his father and knew how much he missed James' mother and Elizabeth who looked so much like her.

One Sunday afternoon, when Elizabeth's pleas to "stay" had been especially poignant, James spoke to his father before going to bed. "Father, I've been thinking how hard it is for all of us to watch Ealasaid leave our home and go to Ramsey Hall and I have an idea of what we could do to make it easier."

Ian cocked his head at his son, saying, "I'll be listening t'anything ye say, James."

"Well, since we're all cabinetmakers, I thought we could give Ealasaid her very own blackhouse. David's good enough now to be able to frame a doll house and Alexander could do the thatching. You and I and Charles could whittle the pieces of furniture. I'm sure we could have it all done by Ealasaid's sixth birthday next month."

Ian stared at this strapping lad who had been a source of strength to him every since Annie's death. He choked back the emotions welling up within him.

"Ye truly think we could do all that in just a month, Laddie?"

"Sure, Father," was James' quick reply. "I know my brothers will work as hard as I if it will make Ealasaid happy."

"I'm sure you're right, James. You've a good head on your shoulders and a kind heart as well," Ian said, rising from his chair and putting his arm around James' shoulder. "But, now it's time for bed. We'll discuss it with your brothers in the morning."

The idea delighted Charles, David and Alexander. They all worked every evening, hiding all traces of the dollhouse when Ealasaid came for her weekly visits. They were pleased when they completed the project three days before her birthday.

Aunt Margaret and Uncle Andrew had invited Ian and his sons for dinner the night of Elizabeth's birthday. The MacDougall Men hurried through their workday and rushed home to don their Sunday clothes. At Alexander's suggestion, they his the little blackhouse at the side of Ramsey Hall, but James regretted doing so, when he saw the look of disappointment on Elizabeth's face when she opened the door. He knew she was too polite to say anything, but she had noticed immediately that no one was carrying a birthday package for her.

Margaret, Andrew and their sons had joined Elizabeth at the door and Andrew suggested the MacDougall Men take off their coats. Everyone did so, and headed toward the parlor, except James, who slipped outside and brought the wee blackhouse in and placed it on the hall table, covering it with his coat.

Andrew gave Elizabeth a glass of lemonade and poured sherry for all the others. Elizabeth wore a red velvet dress trimmed in lace and had a matching ribbon tied around her dark curls. Ian's heart wrenched when he looked at her and saw how much she resembled his beloved Annie.

Uncle Andrew proposed a toast "to the prettiest Lassie of all of Angus." Elizabeth curtsied to them as they raised their glasses and drank to her. Before anyone sat down again, James suggested they all come out and look at something in the hall. He had covered the blackhouse with his coat and took Elizabeth's hand and led her to the table. "Father and all your brothers made this for you," he said, removing the coat.

Elizabeth stared at the beautiful dollhouse. "Oh, Father, is it truly mine? Do I really have my very own blackhouse?" she asked.

"You surely do, Lassie, and you can bring it with you when you come to live in ours," Ian said. Elizabeth threw her arms around his neck and kissed him and then ran to all her brothers to hug and kiss them. While she and her cousins examined the contents of the house, Aunt Margaret slipped a package out from behind the umbrella stand and handed it to Elizabeth.

Ian had told Margaret about James' idea and she had asked if she could help furnish the house. Elizabeth shrieked with joy when she opened the package and found it filled with tiny silverware, porcelain dishes and even miniature crystal glasses. There were pillows and lace doillies Aunt Margaret had made..as well as mirrors, a jewel case and many other small, precious accessories.

Elizabeth reluctantly left her gift to go to the dining room for dinner, but could barely wait to return to *her* blackhouse. After dinner, Uncle Andrew carried the small blackhouse into the parlor and Elizabeth played with it well past her bedtime.

When her father and brothers got ready to leave, she once again embraced each of them and said, "This is the most wonderful day in my life!"

As the years went by, the blackhouse dollhouse was a great source of comfort to Elizabeth. When she was twelve, her life was reversed. She went to live in the MacDougall blackhouse with her father and brothers, and visited Aunt Margaret, Uncle Andrew and her cousins every Sunday. Her wee blackhouse held the place of honor in the family parlor.

Eventually, Elizabeth married, had six children and lived long enough to see her grandchildren playing with the wee blackhouse which had been her "home away from home" for six years.

Last chance for the Blackhouse Dollhouse

If you would like to own the handcrafted "Blackhouse Dollhouse" made by Barry Chandler of Tifton, Georgia and furnished by friends of The Odom Library and The Family Tree, this is your last opportunity to participate.

We will give the little house (1 inch to 1 foot scale) to someone during the Scottish Weekend this coming February 21. If you would like to make a donation to this project, send $5 for one ticket or $15 for four chances to: Blackhouse Dollhouse, The Odom Library, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828. If you wish to have a chance to win the little house, but do not wish to make a contribution (in order to comply with Georgia law) simply send in a postcard asking to be included in the drawing.

The winner will receive copies of the stories written about how the little house came to be furnished so elegantly...and about the people who "lived" in the little home...as well as the house and all of its furnishings including Nessie swimming in the loch outside.

Bagpipe Museum opens in Maryland

James R. Coldren has created what he says is the country's first bagpipe museum at the old Oella Mill across the Patapsco River from Ellicott City. Visitors to the museum can hear recorded pipe music from around the world, inspect his collection of bagpipes and see occasional live performances by selected pipers.

Plans include, if there is a demand, for bagpipe lessons.

Coldren says that although most people today associate bagpipes with Scotland, they are among the oldest instruments known and are played in many countries in various forms.

For more information contact The Bagpipe Music Museum, 840 Oella Ave., Ellicott City, MD 21043. Call 410-313-9311.

Clan Farquharson, USA plans 1998 clan gathering at Huntersville, NC

Clan Farquharson, USA announces its 1998 gathering, to be held April 17-19 in conjunction with the Loch Norman Highland Games in Huntersville, North Carolina.

There will be at least two Clan Farquharson tents at the games and a dinner is among the Clan Farquharson activities planned for the weekend. Among those in attendance will be the national president of Clan Farquharson, USA, Karen P. Smith-Thorpe and First Vice President and Newsletter Editor, J. Philip Ribiat-Finley.

For more information contact Stephen Howerton, CFUSA State Commissioner-Carolinas, Box 16667, ASU, Boone, NC 28608.

New CFUSA appointments

Clan Farquharson, USA announces new appointments across the country. State Commissioner of Northern California is Bill McWood. Honorary State Commissioner Emeritus of Northern California is Dyann Patterson Dutra. State Commissioners of West Virginia and Virginia are Stefani Unverferth and Duncan MacLeod.

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The institute is currently involved in completing several related projects including a National Surname Index, a collection of Funeral Programs, a Year Book Collection and a series of vital records.

Additional information may be obtained by writing AAGRI, PO Box 637, Matteson, IL 60443-6370.

"He ain't heavy — he's my brother's aunt's sister's husband's brother."

A non-confusing explanation of "removed"

The term "removed" is often cause for confusion in determining relationships. Simply put, it means that two people are from different generations. You and your first cousin are in the same generation (two generations younger than your grandparents) so, the word "removed" is not used to describe your relationship.

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With thanks to *Family Tree Maker Newsletter.*

Atlanta Celtic Festival set for next May

The Atlanta Celtic Heritage Trust announces the Twelfth Annual Atlanta Celtic Festival, to be held May 16, 17, 198 on the campus of Oglethorpe University, 4484 Peachtree Rd., NE, Atlanta. A full weekend, from 9 AM til 10 PM Saturday and noon until 5 PM on Sunday is planned. Celtic entertainment, arts and crafts, dancing and language programs are scheduled.

The festival is a venture of the Scottish, Irish and Welsh communities of metro Atlanta and Oglethorpe University and is organized as a not-for-profit group. Corporate sponsorship, public funding from the Georgia Council for the Arts and member participation by the Atlanta area Celts assure another successful festival. The Trust also publishes *The Atlanta Celtic Quarterly* with a circulation of 5,000 copies distributed throughout metro Atlanta to inform and educate the community concerning things Celtic.

Entertainment headliners will include the Scottish-American band, Seven Nations, Irish singer/musician, Mick Maloney, guitarist Zan McLeod, piper Kiern O'Hare, Welsh harper, Robin Huw Bowen and the Washington based trio, Iona.

Dr. James Macdonald, noted Gaelic teacher and speaker, continues with his program of conversational Gaelic lessons during one hour sessions each day. He is currently teaching Gaelic on the weekends as a noncredit course, at Oglethorpe and will again open registration for summer sessions during the festival.

A host of local Celtic talent will include the Atlanta Saint David's Society Welsh Choir, the Saint Andrew's Singers, Royal Scottish Dance Society, the Mulligan School of Irish Dance and solo performances by harpers, pipers and Irish fiddlers and one or more of Atlanta's pipe bands.

Numerous vendors, exhibitors and societies will have on display arts, crafts, ethnic genealogy programs and artisans will feature fine metalworking, pottery, tartan weaving and Irish lace-making. Commercial vendors and exhibitors are invited to participate.

Contact the Atlanta Celtic Heritage Trust, PO Box 567602, Atlanta, GA 31156-7602. Visit the website at: http://www.geocites.com/~ATLCELT

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A Lutheran misunderstanding

The Lutheran Archives Center at Philadelphia has asked the National Genealogical Society to help correct a misunderstanding.

Mail continues to arrive for the Ministerium of Pennsylvania Historical Society, an organization that ceased to exist half a century ago. Much of this mail is addressed to the professor who answered genealogical requests, yet he has been deceased for 20 years.

This mail ends up in the Krauth Memorial Library of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia which serves Region 7 of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, covering about the eastern third of Pennsylvania, New York (except New York City) New Jersey and New England. This archival holding has limited church records of individual congregations, chiefly those now defunct. Almost none are indexed. Congregations still in existence maintain their own records.

New Mexico marriage records available

A reference guide to New Mexico marriages records (civil) for the years 1863 to 1950 has been prepared by the New Mexico State Records Center and Archives.

For ordering information, contact Sandra Jaramillo at NMSRCA, 404 Montezuma Ave., Santa Fe, NM 85701-2502. Call 505-827-7332.

Clan Munro,

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Festivities on that occasion also included the celebration of the "coming of age" of Finian Munro, son and heir-apparent of Munro Chief, Hector W. Munro. Actually an international gathering, over 450 Munro descendants and kin from the USA, Scotland, France, England, Germany, Australia and Ireland convened to celebrate Munro Clan unity with tours, dinners, ceilidh and a traditional bonfire and fireworks on August 9th at Foulis Castle.

For those who wish further information, contact Henry and Vallena Munro during the winter months, 1440 N. Warner Drive, Apache Junction, AZ 85220 (602-982-0489) and permanent address: 16 Munro Drive, Orondo, WA 98443-0770. You may also write the Clan Munro USA Genealogist, Alan Alger, PSC 821 Box 60, FPO AE 09421-1000. Extensive Munro genealogical records are maintained on computer by Mr. Alger who may also be contacted by email at 106614.2330@compuserve.com

Looking for roots in Wales?

When you visit Wales and the National Library of Wales (Marine Terrace, Aberystwyth SY23 2DE Wales, UK) there are a few things you should be on the lookout for:

Be sure and check tithe maps and schedules. If you can't find the name of the place your ancestors were from on the map — perhaps it was a farm or house name and not a village or parish at all. The National Library of Wales has a collection of 1836-1847 Tithe Maps which show ownership and occupancy of farms and homes. These residences are listed by their historical Welsh names.

Be sure and check the Parish Registers/Bishop's transcripts — some in original form and some on microfilm. Look for the Register of Banns...marriage had to be performed in the Parish in which you lived, either at the Parish Church or by license in the Registrar's office. The Banns nearly always named the actual residence of the parents. Make sure you copy everything listed in these records for further study, and note everything you can about the source.

Be sure and check the Census Records. The National Library has all Welsh Census Records for each district from 1841 through 1891. The privacy limit is 100 years. You will also find various court records although you must read and study the jurisdictions for the pertinent records.

Be sure and find the *Parish Registers of Wales* by J. Watts-Williams and C. J. Williams, 1986. It lists every parish and the dates of existing parish records for each category, baptisms, marriages and burials.

And, be sure you have written ahead to the county record offices that you wish to visit to do research, and ask their procedures and hours. Send two postal coupons (which can be obtained from your local USPS at $.95 each) with each request to ensure quick response.

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The workshop schedule is : 1st hour - The Tartan Redskins: Similarities Between the Celtic Scots and Native Americans in the 17th and 18th centuries (Donald F. MacDonald, cofounder Grandfather Mountain Highland Games)); Tartans and Tartan Design (Marjorie Warren, tartan designer, Scottish Tartans Society and International Association for Tartan Studies); Clan Concerns - tents, events, ceilidhs, publicity, memberships, sales, et al (designed for clan organizers and conveners) (Mary Jane Gibbons, Clan Donald SE USA).

2nd hour - Behind the Tartan Curtain: Fact and Fiction (Donald MacDonald); Introduction and Beginning Gaelic (Dr. Jamie R. MacDonald); Scottish Life in the 18th Century (Karen Becker, presenter, American Frontier Museums, Staunton, VA); Newsletters: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly (designed for clan editors) (Beth Gay, editor *The Family Tree* and *By Sea By Land*).

3rd hour - More Scottish Than We Think: Folk Customs from Caledonia (Donald MacDonald); Beginning Gaelic Continued (Dr. Jamie MacDonald); Prince Henry Sinclair: America's Scottish Discoverer (Beth Gay, National Publicity Chair for the Prince Henry Project).

Total cost for 1 to 3 workshops is $20. Checks should be payable to COSCA WORKSHOP, and registration deadline is June 15, 1998.

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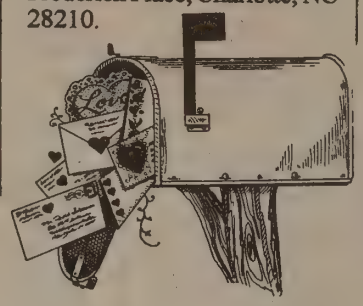

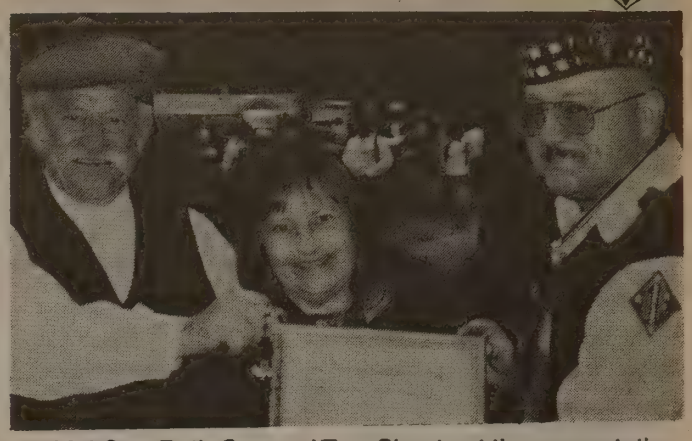

Mel Gay, Beth Gay and Tom Sheets at the presentation of Beth's honorary membership in Clan Chattan.

Clan Chattan honors Beth Gay

Beth Gay, DTJ, FSA Scot, editor of *The Family Tree*, was presented an honorary membership into Clan Chattan of the United States at the recent Stone Mountain Highland Games. Tom Sheets, Clan Chattan's Assistant Commissioner for Georgia and Chief's Bodyguard for Clan Shaw, presented a beautiful, framed certificate of membership which was signed by Howard E. Shaw, Chairman of Clan Chattan.

Tommy commended Beth for the many fine things she has done over the years for the Scottish community throughout the United States and told her what a signal honor it was to have her as a member of Clan Chattan.

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The Mary Boykin Chesnut Chapter UDC, Amy McCaskill, Secretary of Columbia, South Carolina has donated a 5 volume set of *Recollections and Reminiscences 1861-1865 through World War I to the library.*

Wilma F. Darbyshire of Moultrie has made a gift of Our Family Tree - *Out on the Hendrick Limb with Their Spouses* to the family history section of The Odom Library.

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A Scottish Family History Symposium featuring David Dobson of St. Andrews, Scotland will be held on Friday, June 5th, 1998. Mr. Dobson is the preeminent genealogical/historical research specializing in emigration from Scotland to Colonial America with over 70 publications in print.

Other presenters in this unique symposium include Dr. Scott Buie, Editor of *The Isle of Jura Newsletter* and the *Buie Family History;* James McDonald of Savannah, Georgia, genealogist for Clan Donald; and Deborah McVean, TSF&HG Genealogist.

The Symposium is the most comprehensive Scottish Family Research Symposium ever presented in the United States with the foremost Scottish genealogists available. Attendees are expected from across North America and registration will be limited to only 250. Early registration is recommended to assure admission.

The Scottish Family History Symposium will be held at the La Quinta Inn Conference Center, the host hotel for the festival from 8 AM until 4 PM on Friday, June 5. The registration for the Symposium is $40 which includes all seminar costs, continental breakfast, deluxe buffet lunch and drinks and refreshments at breaks.

Registrations received by May 5 will receive a free admission ticket for the Texas Scottish Festival & Highland Games good for Friday evening, June 5.

For reservations and further information contact The Scottish Texas Scottish Festival & Highland Games at 817-654-2293.

The 1998 Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games is scheduled for June 5-7 at Maverick Stadium on the University of Texas at Arllington campus and will again feature traditional Scottish events such as athletics, bagpipe band competitions, Scottish Highland Dancing, Scottish Country Dancing, Scottish breed dog shows, sheep dogs, Scottish clan tents, genealogy seminars, Celtic music, children's games and Scottish foods and vendors.

O what a heaven is love! Tree Topper

Flowers of the Forest

Claudia N. Kittle, 51, died January 7 at Memorial Medical Center, Savannah, Georgia. She was born in Atlanta and lived in Savannah for eight years. She was president and chief executive officer of Kitco Services, Inc., and was a member of the Wilmington Island Presbyterian Church and the Coastal Scottish Heritage Society. She was active in the Clan McLean of Duart, USA where she served as the South Georgia Convener.

She is survived by her husband, Bruce J. Kittle of Savannah; a daughter, Patricia A. Saunders of Savannah; a stepdaughter, Katherine LaPorte of Atlanta; a stepson F. Kevin Kittle of Tucker, two sisters and a granddaughter, China C. Saunders of Savannah.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice Savannah, Inc., 1352 Eisenhower Dr., Savannah, GA 31406 or the American Diabetes Association, 4105 Paulsen St., Savannah, GA 31405.

Dr. Milton Shirley McDonald died in Rome, Georgia last August. He received distinguished service awards from several state organizations, including the Georgia Association of Educators, the Teacher's Education Council and the School Administrator's Association. He was Chairman of the State Teacher Education and Professional Standards Commission, President of the Georgia Association of School Administrators. He was a longtime member of Clan Donald USA.

Donald Harry McCray, died last July 8 after an extended illness. He was a life member of the Clan MacRae Society of North America. He was veteran of the Army Medical Corps and owner of the Don McCray Insurance Agency.

Mary Carolyn McCullough passed away at her home in Ocala, Florida at age 90. She was one of the first to join the Clan MacRae Society of North America in 1973, with membership number 8. She was an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Ocala and belonged to the Ocala Chapter of DAR, John Howland Colony of *Mayflower* Descendants and the National Society of Magna Carta Dames. She held memberships in Clans MacLennan, MacRae and Munroe and in the St. Andrew's Society of Florida and the Scottish Society of North Central Florida.

Hamilton "Milt" Hughes, 85, of Sarasota, Florida died last November 23. He was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania and moved to Sarasota in 1987.

He was a frequent conductor of local cymanfaoedd and Welsh meetings. He was honored by the St. David's Society of Lackawanna County (Scranton) with their "Man of the Year" award in 1983. In 1991, he was awarded the "Distinguished Service Award" from the Sarasota St. David's Society, of which he was a founding member. He was an officer and organizer of many Northeastern organization and was always active in the Welsh community.

Little Hawk James "Jim" Jackson passed away November 4, 1997. He was the oldest in the American Cherokee Confederacy Nation and the brother of Chief Rattlesnake Jackson. Little Hawk Jackson was 90 years old Last January 14 and received a birthday card from President Bill Clinton, and a birthday card and flag from Georgia Governor Zell Miller. He will be missed by family and friends and at the council table.

Dr. John D. MacLeod, Jr., died last July 8. He was interim Pastor at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Starkville, Mississippi at the time of his death. He was on the way to baptize as baby of the congregation, who was near death in a Jackson, Mississippi hospital when he suffered a stroke while driving and had a wreck. His death was not a direct result of the auto accident, but from complications of both the wreck and the stroke.

The baby was baptized by another Presbyterian minister and survived.

Dr. MacLeod had just returned the previous week from a Clan meeting in Taos, New Mexico.

He was the former chaplain and member of the Board of Directors of the St. Andrews Society of Florida and the St. Andrews Society of North Carolina; He was chaplain (since 1944) of the Clan MacLeod Society, USA. He was president since 1992 of the North Carolina Scottish Heritage Society and a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland (FSA Scot). He was on the Mineral County West Virginia Redevelopment commission and belonged to Rotary clubs in Virginia and West Virginia and was on the North Carolina Governor's Advisory Council on Citizen Affairs.

The St. Andrew's Society of the Eastern Shore (Easton, Maryland) expresses it condolences to life member Margaret Stuart-Wells Aiken upon the death of her father, longtime member, **J. Donn Aiken** and to Edward and Mary Rankin upon the death of their son, **Edward, Jr.**

The Clan Ross Association of the US., Inc., annouces the loss of several of their members: **Nancy Wilson Ross** died last June 24; Rev. **Elvin L. Baumgarner** (Deputy Chaplain of the Clan Ross Association) died last June 20; **Florence P. Ross** died last September 27; **Jean Young** died last August 29 and **Marian Andrews** died last September 7.

Mary Irene Lacy, of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, died December 12, 1997. Irene was born in Christian County, Kentucky 22 January 1920 to John W. Overby and Sallie Minor. Her husband, A.B. Lacy, died in 1984. She was a lifetime member of the Church of Christ and a member of several genealogical societies: The United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Survivors include four sons, David H. Lacy, Winchester, TN., Michael D. Lacy, Nashville, TN., Steven K. Lacy, Chattachoochie, FL., and Phillip M. Lacey, Hopkinsville — and five grandchildren.

She was a *Family Tree* subscriber and a lovely friend of the library.

William C. Kennedy of Hastings, Nebraska, died away last September 13 at 79. He was a retired attorney and a member of the Kennedy Society of North America..

Marie Martin Kennedy, mother of Kennedy Society of North America member, Doris Frye, of Lexington, Ohio, died last September 2 — one day after her 101st birthday.

Edith Elizabeth Getts Douglas died last October 17. She was a member of the Clan Douglas Society of North America.

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Make your reservations today for Glencoe Remembrance in Atlanta

You are cordially invited to the 1998 Clan Donald Glencoe Remembrance Dinner and Dance on Saturday, February 14 at the Four Points Hotel, Perimeter Dunwoody, 1850 Cotillion Drive, Atlanta, Georgia, I-285 at Exit 22 (The same location as last years' event.).

The social hour will commence at 7:00 PM, followed by the Glencoe Remembrance at 8:00 PM. A buffet dinner will follow the Remembrance, after which there will be musical entertainment by Scottish-born guitarist/singer/songwriter Eric Duncan.

Dress if formal Highland evening wear, black tie or business suit. Dinner is $30 per person and paid reservations must be received by February 9. There will be no refunds after that date.

Reservations may be made at the hotel by calling 770-394-5000. There is a special rate of $55 for attendees plus tax for the standard double room, with up to four persons per room. Be sure to mention Clan Donald to receive this rate. Make reservations at the hotel immediately.

All Scottish Clans and societies are invited to join in this Remembrance of the 306th anniversary of the Massacre of Glencoe.

Send the names of those attending, their Clan affiliation and a check for $30 per person to Dr. Carl F. McAllister, 7155 Regent St., Lithonia, GA 30058. Call 770-482-1120 for more information.

The Millennial Gathering of the Clan MacRae set for Eilean Donan

The Millennial Gathering of the Clan MacRae will take place on the third weekend of August in the year 2000 AD. This event will be held at Eilean Donan Castle and will feature Highland Games, a ceilidh, discussions and stories relating to the Clan's history and future. A Sunday morning church service is planned at Clachan Duich.

For more information about the gathering or for membership information, write Colin G. MacRae, PO Box 6713, Lynnwood, WA 98036.

Clan Home/Hume Association grants available

The Clan Home/Hume Association offers $100 grants to young or old persons who are studying or competing in any Scottish art. Applications for the grants may be obtained from Harry C. Pugh, 303 Trelawney Lane, Apex, North Carolina 27502.

Competed application forms are due by June 1, 1998. Awards will be made at the Annual Clan Meeting at the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games in July.

Leatherneck Tartan and ordering information

Robert Hall, a former US Marine of Scottish ancestry, commissioned the Scottish Tartans Society of Comrie, Scotland to design and develop the Leatherneck Tartan which adopts the traditional scarlet, gold, blue and forest green of the USMC uniforms to provide a unique and interesting design, which has been registered by the Lord Lyon of Arms in Scotland.

The Celtic Craft Center, Fisherman's Wharf, 1323 Columbus Ave., San Francisco, CA 94133 has the Leatherneck Tartan..

North-American Pipe Band and Drum Majors Association formed

Drum Major Phil McDonald, president of the newly formed North American Pipe Band-Drum Majors Association, is shown here in full regalia. PM McDonald writes, "Our group started January 1, 1998 and we are a group of Drum Majors who decided to get an organization together for pipe bands and drum majors throughout Canada and the United States. We have a quarterly newsletter and dues (in US funds only, please) are US $15 and Canada $20 and overseas $35. For inquiries, write NAPBDMA, Office of the Secretary, 2405 South St., Beaumont, TX 77702 USA.

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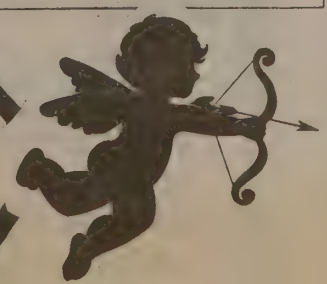

Suas Alba! Kith & Kin . . .

Lochaber Trump competition set for Grandfather Mountain in July

Native Americans from the Cherokee, Creek and Choctaw Nations used to enjoy playing what in Scotland is called "The Lochaber Trump," but which we know today as the old-timey "Juice Harp," "Jaw-Harp" or "Jew's Harp."

The reasons: Scottish fur traders who came to the New World during the 18th century would barter goods with the Indians, in exchange for valuable animal skins. And, one of the favorite items used in bartering was the so-called Lochaber Trump.

The word "trump" comes from a Gaelic word, "tromb." For generations, the instrument was well-known in the Lochaber District of the Scottish Highlands, to the north and west of the town of Fort William, Inverness-shire.

This year, for the second year running, there will be a competition in playing the Lochaber Trump, held on MacRae Meadows at Linville, North Carolina during the annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, July 9 - 12.

In charge will be Mr. Tom McInnes Raisbeck, a trump-player himself, who can be contacted for more information at Rt. 1 Box 439, Natural Bridge, VA 24578. He will be eager to hear from anyone who enjoys playing the "Juice Harp" or who will agree to compete for valuable prizes brought from Scotland.

Competitors will be invited to play a song of their own choice. Last year's winners included (1st place) Farquhar MacRae of Corpach, Inverness-shire; (2nd) Joe Corporan, Raleigh, North Carolina; (3rd) Chris Hefley, Nashville, Tennessee; and (Honorable Mention) Mrs. Hetty MacAulay MacRae, also of Corpach, Scotland.

The 1998 competition is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, July 12, in the Chief's Tent on the East Meadow.

Gaelic Mod planned again at Grandfather Mtn.

For the second year, there will be a Gaelic Mod at Grandfather Mountain during this year's Grandfather Mountain Highland Games, July 9 - 12.

Donald F. MacDonald, cofounder of the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games with the late Agnes MacRae Morton, will be coming from Edinburgh to organize competitions in the singing of songs in Scotland's ancient "Mother Tongue," the Gaelic language.

The word "mod" means, in Gaelic, a judge's court or assembly, always held on a high eminence. But the modern use of the word signifies a week-long festival in Scotland in the singing of Gaelic songs, fiddling, piping and playing of the clarsach or Gaelic harp.

At Grandfather, there's only a "mini--sized" Mod being planned, lasting for one afternoon — on Sunday, July 12th in the Chief's Tent on MacRae Meadows. In charge will be Mr. MacDonald's nephew, Dr. James Robert MacDonald, who is registrar and who will also serve as judge. For further information, you can contact him at PO Box 46, Wytheville, VA 24382. Call 540-686-8742.

There will be special prizes brought from Scotland for the winners who will then be invited to participate in the National US Mod at the Ligonier (PA) Highland Games next September.

Last year, no fewer than 10 soloists registered to enter the singing competitions. Only 8 persons, however, were able to compete.

Last year's winners were: (Females) Flora MacDonald Gammon of Waynesville, North Carolina, who sang *Leanabh an aigh,* which means "The Child of the Virgin," a Christmas hymn which comes from Scotland's Isle-of-Mull; and (Males) two young men from the Washington, DC, area, Liam Cassidy and Nick Freer, and Joel McConnell of Greenville, South Carolina.

If you feel that you don't know Gaelic well enough to enter as a soloist, and yet would still like to sing some of the beautiful songs in Scotland's old language, then plan to visit Donald MacDonald's Ceilidh Corner, a tent on the East Meadow, situated near the Memorial Cairn. Donald will be in charge of a "Sing-a-Long" on Friday, Saturday and Sunday (July 10, 11 and 12) open to all. Mr. MacDonald will provide song-sheets with translations of all the songs.

One final word in Gaelic: "Thigigh!" Pronounced "HEEK-kivv," it means, "Y'all come!"

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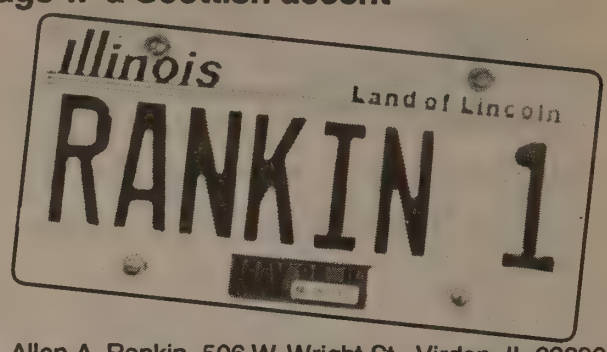

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If anyone has a Scottish tag - or a genealogical or historical tag - send a photograph along to *The Family Tree.*

Clan MacKenna Family History Society plans rally

The 4th International Clan MacKenna Rally will be held in the Monaghan-Tyrone area of Ireland on Friday til Monday, 12-15 June 1998.

There will be Clann MacKenna Seminars in the mornings and visits to MacKenna sites in the afternoons.

Please write for more information, Clann MacKenna, Hon. President, Mrs. Mary McKenna, Kilrudden Hse., Clogher, Co. Tyrone, Eire. Call Clogher 48602.

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Scottish Weekend, *continued from page 1A*

A complete program of speakers and events was in the last issue of *The Family Tree*. If you don't have a copy, please call Beth (number above) and a copy of the Scottish Weekend information can be mailed or faxed to you.

Our pipe band for the weekend is The Centerville Volunteer Fire Department Pipes & Drums. Our Honour Guard for the weekend is the Scottish-American Military Society from Savannah.

Briefly, the events are:

Friday night, 7 PM - an old fashioned Ceilidh and Dutch Treat supper at Western Sizzlin' in Moultrie. (If you have the buffet, you will not have to stand in line. Jim Cravey, the manager, has reserved the entire two back rooms of the restaurant for us. Most of our entertainers plan to be there. Bring your own musical instrument, favorite joke, song or story.)

Saturday: Weems & Sons, Mowatt's Scottish Classics in the library auditorium all day for your shopping and browsing pleasure. Most of our entertainers will be in and out with their tapes and will be performing there too. Ardell Morton and Susan Wilson will display their Scottish Art.

Saturday: All day beginning at 9 AM — Speeches, programs, lectures. We are the kickoff event for the 600th anniversary of the Prince Henry Voyage to America, so there will be programs on this subject plus The American College of Heraldry, Scottish Art, TECA, SHUSA, COSCA, The Knights Templar, The Florida State University Library, and much more. We have 15 speakers lined up for a day of interesting, informative programs.

At 1 PM on Saturday we'll have Opening Ceremonies for several Clans plus a ceremony honoring our special guest, Mr. Cliff Robertson.

All of the Saturday events are at the library. Of course, The Odom Library will be open for your researching convenience.

6:30 PM on Saturday: Our events move to Spence Field, about 10 minutes from the library - five minutes from Shoney's and The Moultrie Inn and 6-7 minutes from Holiday Inn Express. Our Gala Ceilidh and Banquet (all you can eat seafood buffet) will be held this year at *The Progressive Farmer* Building at the Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition site.

This building is LARGE and will enable us to have two buffet lines. There will be maps (Out the Quitman Highway from Moultrie until you see the Scottish Weekend sign, turn left, follow the signs to *The Progressive Farmer* Building) in your goodie bags.

Our entertainers include Carl Peterson, Colin Grant-Adams, Eric Duncan, George and Carol Worthley, Rixey & McMillan, Judy and Bob Williams.

On Sunday, events move to the First Presbyterian Church in Moultrie where The Rev. Dr. Hugh Ward has prepared a meaningful and beautiful Kirkin' o' the Tartan service for us.

You are welcome to bring your own banners to carry in the processional and recessional. We will have banners from the library and from The Tallahassee (FL) St. Andrews Society, so it is not necessary to bring a banner to participate. Everyone is invited to carry a banner and take part.

Following the service, The First Presbyterian Church will host a wonderful, bountiful luncheon in the social hall of the church.

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THE FAMILY TREE

News from the Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library

Ellen Ashby Payne Odom

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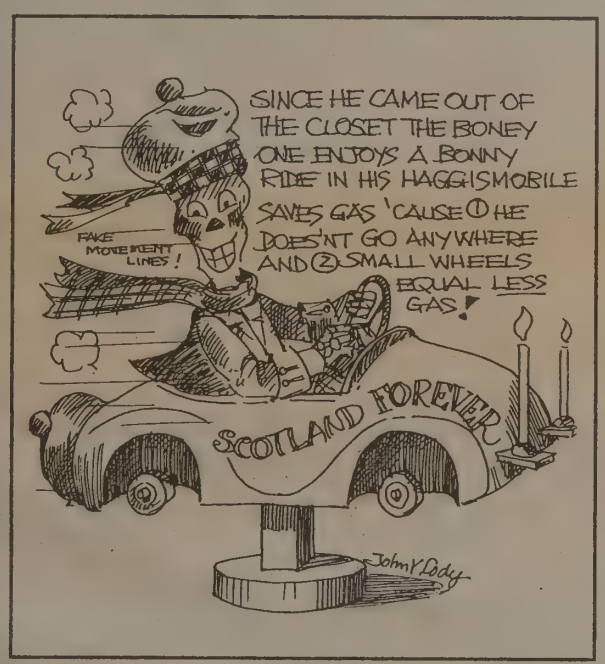
Biggest Skeleton hunt ever concludes with winners, winners, winners! Congratulations Carolyn Thomas, Georgia Holland, Laurel W. Holloway and Kathryn Brisco!

Our intrepid skeleton hunters have successfully tracked down the really skinny one to win great prizes this time. Congratulations to Carolyn Thomas (Santa Barbara, California) and Georgia Holland (Sebring, Florida) who won sets of George and Carol Worthley tapes!

Congratulations to Laurel W. Holloway of Garland, Texas who followed the skinniest fellow to win a gift certificate from the real Skeleton Closet!

Congratulations to Kathryn Brisco of Caddo, Oklahoma, who tracked down that non-dieter to the Scottish Heritage USA ad on page 35 A of the last issue to win two cd's from Seven Nations.

We had lots of successful hunters who found the one with the boniest knees to win subscriptions to *reunions magazine:* Faith Stibbins of Grand Junction, Colorado; Annabelle O'Neill of Daytona, Florida; Barbara Revels of Williamston, North Carolina; Mrs. James Rowland of Columbia, Louisiana; Davina Peffy of Clifton, Forge, Virginia; Howard Greissmer of Cleveland, Ohio; Elizabeth Sanborn of Dandia, New Hampshire; James J. Stewart of Manahawkin, New Jersey; Rose Anderson of Albany, Oregon; Robert Crooks of Sierra Vista, Arizona; Myrna Logan of Bow, Washington; John C. Schland of Grand Blanc, Michigan; Joyce Carpenter of Red Oak, Iowa; Buddy Samuels of Concordia, Missouri; and Nena Stratton of Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico.



Prizes next time

If you can find our wiley one in this issue, you just might win (for a man) a reproduction of an ancient Roman cloak pin or (for a woman) a set of Pictish design necklace and earrings from German Hill Farms. You also might be the winner of a gift certificate from The Skeleton Closet good for wonderful genealogical forms...or a subscription to *reunions magazine.*

Why? How come? Huh?

Lots of beginning genealogists are worried about finding "a skeleton" in their closet. We simply take the worry out of genealogy and hide the skeleton here in our pages. There's no rule that says genealogy can't be fun!

If you find the fellow who hides somewhere in our pages, simply send along a postcard with his location to: Skeleton, PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776.

Right before our next edition, we'll draw the winners from all those who have found Mr. Thin.

We don't waste the postcards when we are done. We send the leftover cards to postcard collector, Mr. Wayne Harvey up in Scotia, New York.

A "programming note" for Jacksonville's *Florida Times-Union*

"Hunting for Forebears," a more-or-less genealogical column written each month for *The Florida Times-Union* in Jacksonville, Florida by *Family Tree* editor, etc., Beth Gay, has been moved from its regular position on the funny paper page.

The column still appears on the regular 3rd Monday, but is located elsewhere in the "Family" section of the paper.

If you have comments on this move or on the column, you may write a note to Beth at *The Family Tree* (PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776). The letters will be collected and sent to *The FTU.*

In Missouri 1805-1812?

If you are searching for someone born in Missouri between 1805 and 1812, check Louisiana records. During those years, Missouri was part of The Louisiana Territory.

Oops, sorry Mr. Black

The winner in our last (December/January) Skeleton contest should have been Howard BLACK, not Howard BLOCK. We're sorry, sir.

Congratulations Hinckley, Rising, Clarke!

Congratulations to go three former officers and board members of the Federation of Genealogical Societies. Kathleen W. Hinckley is the 1997 recipient of the Grahame T.. Smallwood Jr. Award of Merit, the highest honor bestowed by the Association of Professional Genealogists. Marsha Hoffman Rising, CG, CGLl, FASG, is the inaugural recipient of the Marsha Hoffman Rising Award of Merit, presented by the Genealogical Speakers Guild. Jane Adams Clarke was elected a fellow of

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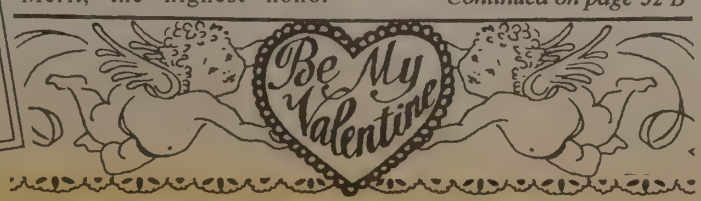

Miz Ellen's Scrapbook

Ellen Odom, in the brown dress on the left, was present for the ground breaking for the Jim Mack Odom Elementary School - on land donated by the Odom family.

The groundbreaking ceremonies were held at the site on the Sardis Church Road, just outside Moultrie.

School Superintendent at the time, Tom Wommack, told the crowd that the new school would house about 475 students.

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Members receive our newsletter as well as our international magazine. We have had an ongoing Migration/Genealogy Project since 1972. For information visit the MacLeod tent at any major Scottish festival/highland games, or write to the Membership Secretary, Dept FTO, 7909 Loch Lane, Columbia SC 29223. **HOLD FAST!**

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A letter from your editor

How can we say "thank you" to you properly?

We have had some extraordinary contributions since the last issue of *The Family Tree* went to press.

As your editor, I am usually so wrapped up in learning PageMaker 6.5 at school, typesetting and writing at home (and occasionally saying "hi" to Mel, cooking, ironing, cleaning and/or polishing things there) and working with advertisers, mail and phone calls at the library...and all of the other things that make up a life...that I'm afraid I do not **properly** thank all of you who honestly make this publication possible.

In a conversation recently, my friend and I were discussing what it takes to do something like *The Family Tree.* We were laughing about how usually the first time you do a big on-going project, it is such fun, the second time you do it it's still fun, but not quite as much...and by the dozenth time, most usually a project isn't fun at all — but plain old hard, repetitive work.

I am so fortunate, as after seven years and 43 issues (counting this one), *The Family Tree* is as much fun to me as it was the very first issue.

Your part of all of this is much harder than my part. How can that be?

My part is easy because I am buoyed up by your kind words, your generosity, your creative ideas, your wonderful phone calls and your hugs and all of the kindnesses that come my way from you all.

Your part is hard, because I am constantly nagging and telling you about how expensive it is to print and mail this paper and constantly asking you to think of us when you write checks. It's a little scary, because I don't think I'll ever be able to stop asking you to think of us.

It costs well over $30,000 each issue to do this publication...and that figure keeps going up.

I can remember when I would ask for a check for $2000 to mail this publication. Today, we have to have a little more than $13,000 UP FRONT money for the mailing service...and then we are billed for the rest of the mailing. Printing is always equal to mailing...and as our circulation grows, so do both mailing and printing expenses.

Your editor: Beth Gay

Our anonymous friend has sent another $10,000 + worth of stock for the little *Family Tree* Endowment. Others have generously contributed to the endowment...and literally thousands of you have responded with kind postage contributions. How in the world - even in English which has the largest number of words of any language - can I possibly choose just the right words to thank you all?

We're in the best financial shape we have ever been in. All of that could change in the blink of an eye. So, here I am again, asking you to think of us when you are writing your monthly checks...and to send along a contribution to help with our postage. How much? All we ask is that you think for a minute or two how much the little paper means to you.

Sincerely, I thank you all.

Love,

Beth

West Cork Heritage Centre open for Irish research

The West Cork Heritage Centre is operating a partial genealogical service under the direction of Diarmuid Begley, chairman. The centre operates an exhibition center each season from the end of April until October.

The centre has indexed over half a million church records. Most of the records are from West Cork and include the Church of Ireland, Methodist, Presbyterian, Quaker and Roman Catholic. The church of Ireland parishes of Monkstown and Cobh and part of St. Mary's RC parish in Cork City have also been indexed. The centre will search the records of just one denomination if you wish. A search usually takes about three months to complete.

The centre has also transcribed tombstones from 25-30 cemeteries within about a 15 mile radius of Bandon; they have published the transcripts for the four Bandon cemeteries.

For more information contact the West Cork Heritage Centre, South Main St., Bandon, Co. Cork, Ireland. Call 023 41179.

With thanks to *The Irish at Home and Abroad,* PO Box 521806, Salt Lake City, UT 84152. Those interested in Irish research might like to order *Ireland, A Genealogical Guide for Americans*, published by this company. It's softbound, 62 pp, $18.95 US s/h included.

You need to know about "Six Types of Marriages (and therefore Records!)"

Marriages in the United Kingdom fell into one of six categories until recently. The four most commonly occurring ones were marriages (1) in the Established Church of each country, (2) in a Register Office, (3) in a nonconformist Church, (4) by Jewish or Quaker ceremony, (5) marriage for the housebound or detained and (6) marriages by Register General's license. This is reserved for the dying.

The way on which the process of marriage shall take place was laid down in Hardwick's Marriage Act of 1754. This Act sated that marriages, with the exception of Quakers and Jews, could only take place by banns or by license. They had to take place between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 noon. This was later extended to 3 p.m. and finally to the current hours of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Marriage by banns meant that a couple had to be resident in the parish for one week before the banns could be read. Banns, had to be written into the banns notice book and were either called in the church or proclaimed in a public place such as the market. The total process thus took one month from the start of residency to the completion of the banns when the marriage could then take place.

A huge number of couples used the loophole of a single week of residency so that they could be married in places other than home. Reasons could include keeping the marriage a secret from people who knew them.

Swedish help...

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Glimpses of Old-World Scotland

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I once did a researched story about the headstones found in Scotland. There are some 9 plus degrees of stone, softnesswise. With the effect of heat and cold the chiseled lettering has cracked and shaled off leaving a letter here and there. Who was this individual? The Kirk records are long gone. Mostly these unknown markers were dragged off to become the edging for flower bed walks or part of an erected stone wall. Many times in Burgh records exact burial sites are recorded: September 2, 1698, "The Council considering that upon the application made by serveral persones they hade granted them acts of the toun Council for buriall places in Greyfrier Kirkyard for erecting and building of tombs for them and their successors in tyme comeing."

At a later date the Council noted: "At the present time, the applicants had not entirely started preparation of buriall places." They would be given one year to do so or the grant of land would be revoked.

"John Kennedy, surgeon burgess, is granted a piece of groun for a burial place in Greyfriars with ground lies to the west of liberton's tomb, along the south dyke of the churchyard for 16 ft. and northward from the dyke 13 ft., to be obliged to erect a tomb or monument thereupon within a year, and paying 300 merks scots to the kirk treasurer for the poor."

Note: Kennedy family researchers now definitely know where and when John Kennedy lived and his exact burial spot. It is likely other Kennedy's are interred there also.

Jailbird or Gaolbird Relatives

Sadly, many serious researchers are reluctant to accept the idea great grandparents may have been arrested and tollboothed for minor or major offences. Thus missing family links are bypassed. Barony court records can prove fruitful because the name and address location are given. This home site location is usually the land they are farming or the hamlet wherein they lived. Quite frankly, the majority of our distant relatives were a coarse lot. Arms and Highland dress were unfeatured items on the peat smoked walls of a windowless badger-like hutment in the Sutherland or Ross and Cromarty areas of Scotland. Living for most was merely existing for the moment. Still, here is an example of positive location of individuals. From court records dated May 14, 1716. This case is one of a series of prosecutions for brawling at fairs and markets. This example corroborates the fact that lawlessness and personal bickering were characteristic of the general population in the beginning of the eighteenth century.

"A fair was held in Paisley in May, 1716. Among others attending the fair were Alexander Alexander in Mossneuk, William Bartholomew in Eldersly and William Bartholomew in Newton (same name, two individuals) and being with some others in the house of James Dennistoun, quarrier in Paisley after many words and threats fell to fighting and beating each other with fists, staves and batons...a bloody affair...which was repeated again in the evening. They were brought to trial. The event was denied. Officials thought a fine of 50 pounds each would be appropriate. The case was finally settled for a 10 pound assessment per individual."

Here is an example of farm life problems. County records bear abundant evidence to the fact that in the 1700s and earlier decades, family feudes between neighbouring occupiers of lands were not uncommon and were carried out with great vindictiveness often attended with bloodshed. Because such conditions existed among a class removed by position above the "lowest or labouring class" lets us see to what a miserable social condition the loser classes of the people of Scotland must have been reduced, and enables us to account for so many called into the Criminal Courts to answer for assaults with brutal violence and generally with bloodshed and in some instances, the loss of life.

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Dr. W. Todd Groce in Thomasville, GA

The Thomasville Genealogical, History and Fine Arts Library is sponsoring a lecture by Dr. W. Todd Groce, executive director of the Georgia Historical Society on Saturday February 21, 1998 from 10 AM until 12 noon at the Thomas County Historical Society.

The first presentation will be "Historical Cemeteries of the South: A Photographic Tour." This slide presentation takes the audiences on a tour across the South through major cemeteries and small graveyards from Virginia to New Orleans. It examines the cemetery symbolism and art of the 19th centuries, exploring the changes from the simplicity of the 1700s to the ornate expressions of grief in the Victorian period. The tour includes examples of tombstones from large city cemeteries of the "Rural Cemeteries Movement" to small country churchyards and Scottish and Scotch-Irish burial plots from the 18th century. Dr. Groce will also discuss how to read worn grave markers and preservation techniques.

The second presentation will be "The Historical South: What Makes Us Different." In terms of manners, dialect and religion, Southerners are considered "different" from other Americans, possessing a special culture apart from that found anywhere else in the country. Dr. Groce looks at the unique history and literature of the South and argues that it is the historical experience of Southerners, coupled with their land, that makes them different.

Dr. Groce was born in tidewater Virginia and grew up in the Mississippi Delta. He is a graduate of the University of Memphis, where he received a B.A. in history and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, where he earned an M. A. and Ph.D. in history.

Before coming to the Georgia Historical Society in February 1955, Dr. Groce taught history for three years at the University of Tennessee and then served five years as executive director of the East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville.

Dr. Groce is an active scholar and lecturer. His essays and book reviews have appeared in a number of scholarly works and journals. In 1997, the Speaker of the Georgia House of Representatives appointed Dr. Groce to the Georgia Civil War Commission.

The lecture is free and open to the general public. For more information, contact the library at 912-226-9640.

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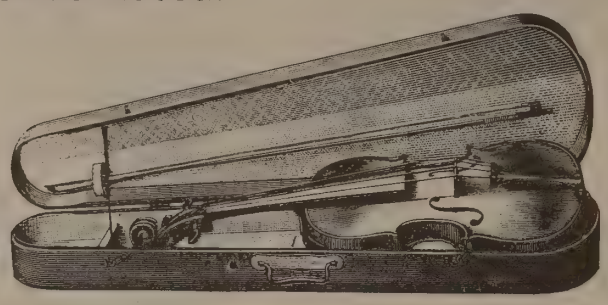

Greg Brophy, a documentary filmmaker from Ann Arbor, Michigan, is producing a film of great interest to those who cherish their Scottish heritage. The film is the story of three-time US Scottish fiddling champion, Bonnie Rideout. Her story is one that personified the continuity of tradition between Scotland and North America. Her traditional Highland fiddling is a true representation of the indomitable spirit of the Scottish people. And, Bonnie today is one of the few who has kept the traditional sound alive in a world that nearly let the Highland sound die.

Her story, when told cinematically, will paint a visual portrait of Scotland, its rich traditions and the role of the Scottish fiddle in the perpetuation of those traditions. The film is Bonnie Rideout's story, but more than that, it is a message of the importance of Scottish fiddle music and the preservation of Scottish tradition in North America.

Mr. Brophy plans to begin production this spring and is now looking for financial sponsors to contribute to the film. The film is sponsored by the Film Fine Arts Foundation of San Francisco, California. With this sponsorship, the film is certified as a nonprofit entity, meaning all sponsor donations are tax deductible. Those interested in contributing are encouraged to call Greg Brophy at 313-761-5888. He will be happy to speak to and answer questions from anyone interested.

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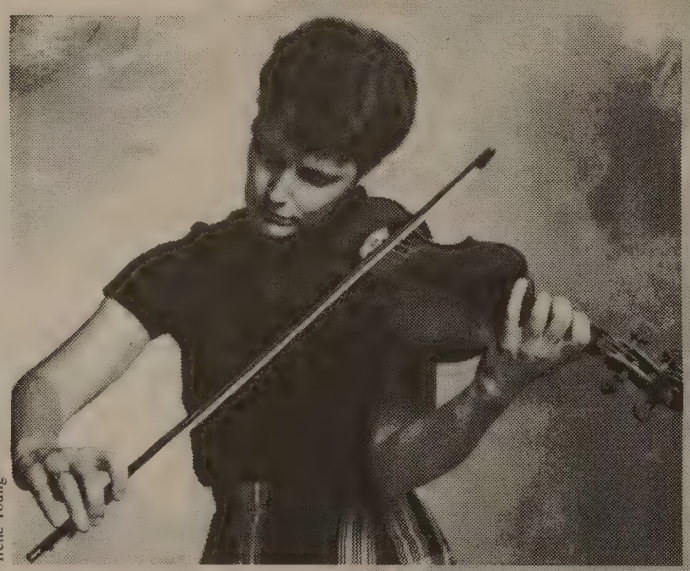

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A Scottish Celebration

Carole Lovett Koontz

Reformation Sunday is no ordinary Sunday at Second Presbyterian Church, Newark, Ohio. Over the past decade, this service recognizing the denomination's Scottish roots has grown into a major celebration.

Key to the celebration is the Kirkin'o'the Tartans ceremony, featuring the presentation and blessing of family tartans. This year, three dozen members presented twenty-nine different tartans, including the American Bicentennial Tartan, representing all members' families, regardless of ancestry. As well, members donated tartan blocks for a Tartan Heritage Banner, which graced the pulpit during the service. This woolen banner, made by several women in the congregation, will become a permanent fixture at the church and a perpetual reminder of church-family ties and of the denomination's Scottish heritage. Soul-stirring bagpipe music by the Glenmar Pipe Band of Columbus, Ohio, added the crowning touch to the service.

With the Glenmar pipes in concert, the congregation gathered in the church gym after the service to view displays and to hear a program on Scottish ancestral research, the bagpipes and the kilt. At noon, all enjoyed a Scottish luncheon. Cock-a-leekie soup and a "shepherd's pie-on-a-bun" were served and a "Braveheart Tasting Table" provided haggis (properly piped in and blessed), carageen mold, colcannon, black bun, Dundee cake, shortbread and other Scottish fare donated by members.

Photo by Carole Lovett Koontz.

Karen Bunning (wearing Henderson tartan, with the Tartan Heritage Banner made for the Second Presbyterian Church, Newark, Ohio and presented last October.

This day of celebrations swells the congregation with friends and family from far and near. One such friend and authority on things Scottish is Maj. Lee E. Cloe, Ed.D.., USAF, ret, of Greenwood, Indiana. Four years ago, he happened to be passing through Newark and noticed the Second Presbyterian was having its Kirkin'. He spent the night, attended the service and has returned every year since, each time having an active role in the days' activities. In 1996, when the church was in transition between pastors, Maj. Cloe even presented the message during the service.

The Rev. Dr. Mitchell R. Van Metre, now completing his first year as pastor at Second Presbyterian, witnessed his first Kirkin' on October 26. "It was a most moving and appropriate blessing of home and family," he said of the service. "Bringing our homes to God is a significant act, one that sets the tempo for future generations and articulates the values our nation needs."

At Second Presbyterian, Reformation Sunday remains one of the most eagerly anticipated days of the year, along with Christmas and Easter.

Grant received for Lanape language project

The Administrations for Native Americans (ANA) sent word to the Delaware Tribal Headquarters that the tribe had been awarded a planning grant in the amount of $49,975 for the purpose of determining the best way to preserve the Lenape language.

The position of Project Coordinator for the Lenape Language Project was advertised and Jim Rementer was selected for the job. An advisory committee has formed consisting of Mary Louise Watters, Mike Pace and Jan Brown. Tribal Manager, Russell Ellis, serves as Project Director.

At the time of the arrival of the Europeans, the number of Lenape speakers might have been as high as 25,000. In many Indian tribes only a handful of elderly speakers remain, and when the Creator calls them home, their languages too will disappear. Lenape is one of these languages.

The Lenape language is a member of the Algonquian family. Some of the related languages which are still spoken are Shawnee, Ojibwa, Potawatomi and Cree.

There are a number of other language families in North America which are totally unrelated to the Algonquian family.

Only a few centuries ago there were over 500 American Indian languages spoken in North America. As of 1975, the number of native languages surviving was about 180. Today, the number is lower.

The precarious state of Indian languages can be seen by a study done in Oklahoma. In a recent publication the status of the Delaware language places it in Category IV (languages spoken fluently by only a handful of persons, all of advanced age) and included are Ponco, Kansa, Kiowa-Apache, Delaware, Potawatomie, Iowa, Oto-Missouri, Sac and Fox, Chiracahua Apache, Ottawa, Osage and Senaca.

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COSCA Report

Col. Bob McWilliam

COSCA had a good year in 1997!

A lot of things we had been working on finally came to pass, thanks to a few very dedicated COSCA volunteers. The following is a short summary of what was accomplished this year.

We sponsored our first afternoon Scottish workshop in many years at Lee's MacRae College at the Grandfather Mountain Games. Scotty Gallamore put the program together with several very good speakers. The program was well received and plans are underway to sponsor another workshop this summer.

Scotty and Sandy Gallamore helped the District Family Association get started and COSCA will continue to assist it until it becomes self supporting.

We collected and sent out some 3400 inquiry cards for clans not present at the various games. This is the largest number we have distributed.

Scotty Gallamore, our Clan Inquiry Coordinator, and a small corps of games volunteers that man our tents as well as a number of clans willing to put up one of our "We can help you find your clan" banners.

We now have representation in Colorado, California and a new one to work the Hawaiian Games.

At the end of the year, Beth Gay got our newsletter, *The Claymore*, published. This is the first edition of *The Claymore* that COSCA has published since 1988. We have an experienced editorial staff, headed by Beth, with Mary Jane Gibbons, Alice Henry, Ann Morrison and Bonnie Thompson, all newsletter editors. Their addresses and phone numbers are listed in our first edition and we hope you will give them your clan news items. At present, we plan to publish three times a year: March, July and November.

Next year, Scotty will be sending the inquiry cards to the clans also three times a year using the same three months.

We have mailed to all of our members a roster of about 260 Scottish games and festivals held in North America. The roster lists the games alphabetically by state and chronologically as to when and where the games are held, whom to contact and the costs connected with the events. This project was put together by Jim and Michael Finegan of Clan MacLachlan, with support from COSCA and the Clan Campbell Society.

There is also a listing of games and events broken into regions for conveners and commissioners. There are dates, places, phone numbers, costs and the approximate attendance of each game. (There are a lot of surprising attendance figures in this document that the societies should look at in planning where they will put their tents this year.)

In addition to the above, our members have helped extensively promote the Tartan Day campaign and the Scottish National Museum fund raising campaign.

In summary, we had a good year and have a good start for this year.

In our November letter to our Clan members, Scotty had a paragraph concerning correct listings in *The Highlander*. Its directory, published in the spring, is a comprehensive listing of Scottish interests. However, the information in it is only as good as the information it receives. Scotty's remarks are as follows: "In January, your Clan should receive a notice from *The Highlander* asking for an update of your Clan listing in the annual directory issue, April. Please be sure to return the form (deadline: mid-February) with any corrections. Return it, even if there are no corrections. If your Clan does not receive a form by the end of January, please contact *The Highlander* by phone, 816-523-4141) or fax 813-523-7474 and request the form.

Additionally, if you are running a "clan card" in publications, please be sure to keep this information current. It should match whatever you sent to COSCA and/or *The Highlander*. Inquirers need to find you quickly. Occasionally we hear about "old addresses" in *The Highlander* directory. The principle problem is the clans and societies keeping *The Highlander* current with their addresses.

COSCA, along with The Odom Library and *The Family Tree*, has a new post office box number: Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828.

Last year, in the December/January edition of *The Family Tree*, I reported on the first meeting of the Scottish Business Forum, an organization founded in 1996 by a group of expatriate Scots and US business people with the support of the Illinois St. Andrew Society. The following information concerning the groups' recent activities has been taken from *The Illinois St. Andrew Society Newsletter*.

The Scottish Business Forum has become a networking venue for Chicago area professionals of Scottish descent, representatives of more than 300 US own Scottish based businesses and many Scottish owned Midwest based businesses.

The first meeting of the Scottish Business Forum's 1997-1998 season was held September 24th at the World Trade Center. It was hosted by Neil Hartingan, chairman of the World Trade Center, Chicago. The evening's guests included representatives from Regional Development Agencies throughout Scotland. speaker, Robert McKenzie, Fife Enterprises, CEO, addressed the role of regional enterprise agencies in Scotland and abroad.

The forum also cosponsored an October 27th gathering at the Regal Knickerbocker. A talk by Raymond I. Skilling, Executive Vice President and Chief Counsel of the Aon Corporation, focused on transatlantic trace and two-way investment. Collaborating organizations were the British American Chamber of Commerce, the British American Business Council, World Trade Center - Chicago, Aon Corporation,

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The COSCA web page address is:

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The COSCA web page has been recently updated with a brand new section on Tartan Day. Check out sample letters, Senator's email addresses, text of the *Declaration of Arbroath*, text of Senate Resolution 155, pictures from Tartan Day 1997 and a sample of 1997's Tartan Day celebration program in Milwaukee, Wisconsin hosted by Clan Donald.

Please remember to take a few moments to write each of your Senators asking them to be a co-sponsor of Tartan Day.

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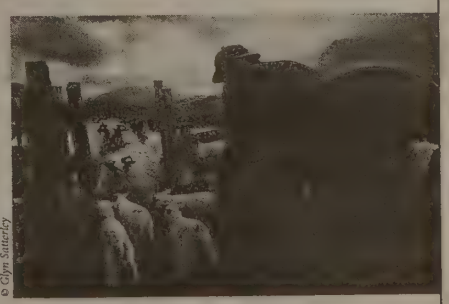

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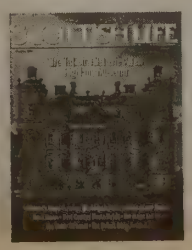

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"Cor blimey!" comes from the Picts...

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With thanks to the *Clan Urquhart Association, North American Branch Newsletter.*

Hebridean Folklore Project invites you to join them

The Hebridean Folklore Project is a volunteer run, Non-Profit 501 (3)(c) organization. The mission of the project is to "keep Celtic folklore alive and accessible."

In a nutshell, the project has spent the last two summers in the Outer Hebrides of Scotland researching, recording and experiencing the endangered oral traditions of these magical, ancient isles. Many hours have been well spent in the company of the old islanders who are the storykeepers of the isles. In 1995, the status of these oral traditions was grave indeed, but through a reawakening of the respect and interest by both the Gaels and the world, as well as the work of The Hebridean Folklore Project, these traditions are experiencing a new vitality, though there is much yet to be done.

Through The Hebridean Folklore Project, Scots and interested Celts are able to access information about these oral traditions and many other traditions still found on the isles.

Currently, a tri-annual newsletter, *Am Mothan,* is published and the group is active cultural resource in this geographic community.

Please write or email us to find out more information about The Hebridean Folklore Project and how you can participate in keeping Celtic folklore alive and accessible. Write The Hebridean Folklore Project, 48 N. Madison St., Eugene, OR 97402. Call 541-687-9210. Email: hebrides@efn.org

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Clan MacFarlane Society celebrates 25th anniversary

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More than 140 MacFarlane and sept (cousin) families from the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Scotland, France and the United Kingdom are planning to attend.

For more information contact Paul M. Funkhouser, 128 Huntleigh Drive, Belleville, IL 62220-3037. Call 618-234-8454.

Here's your chance to help build another Mayflower

Mayflower 2000 project underway in England

Construction of the full size *Mayflower* 2000 replica is underway now in England and will take about two years to complete. As part of the Millennium 2000 celebration in Great Britain, the ship is scheduled to sail in the spring/summer of 1999 with a crew of about 20 and a small group of passengers.

The voyage to the "New World" will take about 66 days, leaving from the village of Rotherhithe, the Thamseside port near London from which the original *Mayflower* sailed in 1620.

Following the course of the original ship, the replica will visit Leigh-on-Sea, Southampton and Plymouth, Devon - before setting sail across the Atlantic.

The new ship will be constructed entirely of wood as was the original. About 10,000 "treenails" (wooden pins) will be used to attach the planks and the other structural elements. It will take forty-five oak trees to make masts and other features. Shipwrights experienced in the old ways of wooden shipbuilding are working on the $8 million project.

Sponsorship is being sought from individuals and organizations. $25 buys a treenail; $1000 buys a plank; and $5000 buys an oak tree. Certificates will be sent to sponsors of a treenail and others will be honored with a small plaque.

Information is also being sought from descendants of the *Mayflower* passengers of 1620. A genealogical database is being established.

For more information contact *Mayflower* 2000, Ltd., 132 Ritherdon Rd., London SW17 8QQ, Great Britain. Email: 101607.771@compuserve.com

Pilgrim or Puritan?

The terms "Pilgrim" and "Puritan" may be used sometimes interchangeably in some printed sources, but this is incorrect. English Separatists, including Pilgrims and Puritans, were those people in England, who, during the reign of Queen Mary, refused to conform to the public services of the Roman Catholic Church.

Separatists worshipped in defiance of the established Anglican Church of England. By the close of the reign of Queen Elizabeth I, there were three kinds of Separatists: 1) Those who believed in the established church having connection with the state was wrong and unscriptural. The local church should manage its own affairs. These were the **Pilgrims.** 2) those who would have a state church under Presbyterian form of government. 3) Those who desired a purified worship, but still remained in the Church of England. These were the **Puritans.**

Thirty-five of the *Mayflower* voyagers who landed in Plymouth in 1620 were Pilgrims, the other 65 were not separatists, but were sent by the Virginia Company to work. New Pilgrims arrived in 1621, Salem became a successful second town, and by 1640 there were eight towns in the Pilgrim colony in the new world.

The Puritans were part of a group called the Massachusetts Bay Company who originally were destined for Salem, Massachusetts, but who settled in Boston in 1630. Although religious freedom was an influential cause of Puritan settlement, economic betterment and land acquisition was on the minds of many new arrivals.

Eventually, the Pilgrims were outnumbered in Salem. In 1691, the King appointed a new governor who joined Maine and the Plymouth Colony to the Massachusetts Bay Colony and Salem became a Puritan town.

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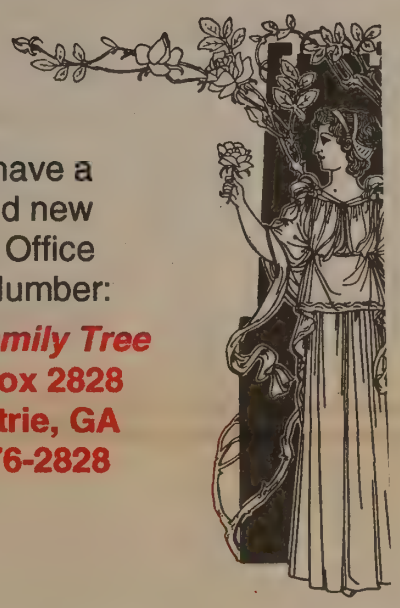

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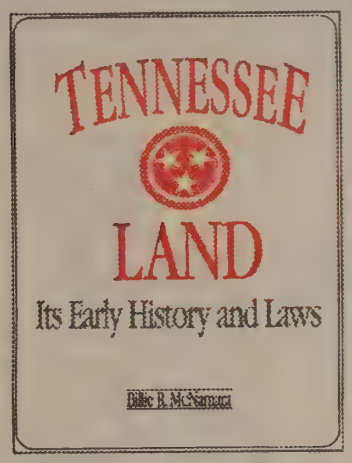

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Lt. Col. John McCrae's medals to be in Guelph, Canada, after all

Canadian war hero, Lt. Col. John McCrae's war medals sold at a Toronto auction for $400,000. They were bought by Chinese-Canadian Arthur Lee, who announced he would donate them to the Guelph Museum where the rest of McCrae's memorabilia has been preserved.

Lee, who read McCrae's poem *In Flanders Fields* for the first time at the auction said he decided to buy the medals after hearing of their plight on TV. He said, "Our heroes and art should stay here - in Canada." The 44-year old clothing manufacturer said, "It's going to cut into my lunch money, but I just didn't want to see the medals fall into foreign hands."

McCrae's medals were believed to have been lost at sea but surfaced last spring in a Winnipeg coin shop. They were purchased for $145. The shop owner sent them to auctioneer Jeffrey Hoare of London, Ontario who estimated the value of the medals at $20,000 and listed them for sale in the auction.

Looking for military personnel buried overseas?

Records of American military personnel buried overseas may be obtained by writing The Department of the Army, US Total Army Personnel Command, Alexandria, VA 22331-0482.

Please include name, rank, serial number and any other information which will help identify the records being sought (date of death, unit, place of burial, etc.).

Descendants of "First Stripers" sought

On November 8, 1862, Col. Richard James Oglesby (1824-1899), commanding the 8th Illinois Regiment for the Union Army, captured Bloomsfield, Missouri as the Rebels fled south. While the event was not a major battle or of historical importance to the Army, history was made.

In this regiment were 10 printers and newsmen who discovered that *The Herald*, the local newspaper office, had been abandoned. They decided to use these facilities to publish a newspaper for their outfit — and named it *The Stars and Stripes*.

This was the beginning of the newspaper of the same name, which became so familiar to US troops and government employees who served overseas. It is not known how many copies of the first edition were printed, but only three are now known to exist; one of which is destined for the new *Stars and Stripes* Museum/Library in Bloomfield, Stoddard County, Missouri.

The museum is searching for descendants of these 10 men who are notable for what they did in this small Missouri town during the Civil War.

Most of them served with the 18th Illinois Infantry Regiment and were from Wayne, White, Gallatin or Peoria counties of Illinois.

Are you a descendant of any of these "First Stripers?" If so, do you have any letters, photographs or genealogical information about them that you would be willing to share?

Among the known "First Stripers" were: Benson Atherton, John H. Barton, Charles M. Edwards, Theodore Edmondson, Otis Martin, Walter A. Rhue, John W. Schell, R.F. Stewart and Thomas Walsh.

Please contact Bill and Pat Elmore, *Stars and Stripes* Museum/Library Assn. Research, PO Box 1862, Bloomfield, MO 63825. Call 573-568-3862.

Do you know about the USS Arizona Memorial?

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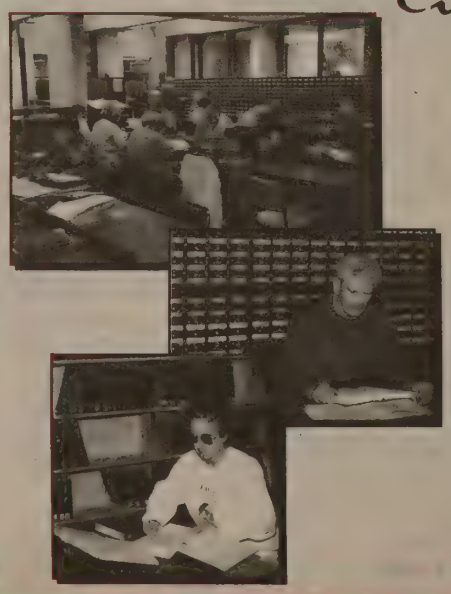
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news from around the world

Unfinished business...

From the Swedish Council of America

Dear Beth,...In 1988, Swedes and Swedish-Americans celebrated the 350th anniversary of the first Swedish colony, called New Sweden, which was founded on the banks of the Delaware River at what is now Wilmington. Part of this celebration included some special services for those interested in tracing their Swedish ancestry. One of those was that the Swedish post office would provide some basic information, and there was a form one could use to request that information.

Swedish Council of America, as the national umbrella organization for Swedish-American clubs, served as the contact point for distributing the forms for requesting this service.

This service was, I believe discontinued in 1989, right after the conclusion of the yearlong celebrations. Neither the forms nor, to the best of my knowledge, the service, are available today.

I would be grateful if you would let your readers know....

Best regards,
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Some useful addresses for Swedish, Polish, Norwegian researchers

The House of Emigrants, Box 201 S-351 04, Vaxjo, Sweden will search Swedish church records and let you know what it finds. Write for more information.

The first ever source for Polish help has been established at Genealogical Documentary of Poznan, Poland, Wodna 27 Plac Gorkow 67-781, Poznan, Poland.

Derwood Johnson, 1425 hilltop Dr., Waco, TX 76710 has extensive records of Norwegian immigrants in Texas. Mr. Johnson will look up information. Please send SASE.

The 1801 Norwegian census is on the internet at: http://www.uib.no/hi/1801page.html

Torricelli and Morella try to keep ancestry question on US Census

U.S. Senator Robert C. Torrecelli (D-NJ) and U.S. Representative Constance Morella (R-MD) have introduced a concurrent resolution in Congress calling for keeping the ancestry question in the 2000 US Census.

The announcement was made at a recent news conference by the Working Group on Ancestry, a coalition of ethnic leaders working to preserve the ancestry question and other demographic information gathered on the Census Bureau's long form, which goes to about one in six households during each census. The information gathered on the long form is the only source of information about the ethnic composition of the United States population. Currently, the necessity of the long form is being debated by congressional subcommittees. The Working Group on Ancestry suggests that persons interested in seeing this information retained should contact their congressional representatives.

Do you need Welsh translations?

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Red Army maps of Britain now available

David Archer, who buys and sells survey and ordnance maps out of his cottage near the Welsh border, has a large a variety of Red Army maps of the United Kingdom and other countries. According to his catalog, the maps and town plans reflect the tremendous effort put into the Soviet military machine after 1945. Alongside military hardware and personnel, the cartographic output can now be seen to have been vast. Small scale mapping was available for all the major parts of the globe. Extremely detailed town plans were produced for most major or strategic foreign cities.

All mapping was drawn to a very high standard, in color, with cryillic script to help the user. Most British town maps are dated 1974 or after, with a 1990 date for two of them and a 1991 date for other countries.

Little is known of the compilation procedure, but all the maps are highly accurate and often contain information lacking in domestic national surveys. The Royal Ordnance tank factory in Leeds does not appear on Ordnance Survey sheets, but is offered here—for example.

Archer says in his catalog, these maps provide a fascinating insight into mapping procurement by a potential enemy as well as an invaluable cartographic and defense research tool.

Supplies of the maps cannot be guaranteed. All maps are paper flat, unissued and in very good condition.

Those interested should write David Archer, The Pentre, Kerry, Newtown, Montgomeryshire, SY16 4PD Wales.

Anglo-French Family History Society invites you

The principle aim of the Anglo-French Family History Society is to help English speaking people searching their French ancestors in France. Much of this help is provided via the society's quarterly journal, *French Ancestor*.

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By **Kevin Cloud Brechner** Special to *The Family Tree*

In North America alone, with over 500 distinct nations, at least 300 separate languages were spoken. When you add the languages of the indigenous populations of Central and South America, Hawaii and Samoa, you have quite a few languages to deal with as a Native American Genealogist.

No matter which nation you are searching, your search invariably leads to a point where only the native language was spoken. You will be very lucky if your search gets you to that point.

Most people start from a contemporary surname in English, Spanish, French, or Portuguese and work their way back in the records. In that backwards-through-time search of genealogy you will discover that the surname went through an evolution. Multiple ways of spelling the name may occur. At some point either the original Indian name was translated phonetically into a European language or the family adopted or married into a European name. That translation process has let to many surname variations.

Another very important consideration is that most if not all the Native Nations did not engage in the European tradition of handing down surnames from generation to generation. Each person had a unique name.

To confound the problem (from a genealogical point of view) a single person may have several different names over the course of their life time. For example, a member of the Hopi people may be given a name shortly after birth when the child is brought to see the sun for the first time. That name may carry through childhood until adolescence when initiation in one of the societies brings an entirely new name. The name may have a relationship to the clan membership ot the child's parents.

The person may also have an English name for government purposes like being enrolled in school or voting in tribal council elections. Albert Yava, a Tewa-Hopi from the village of Hano on First Mesa, in what became known as the State of Arizona, concisely illustrates multiple names, "The name that was given to me when I was born was Nuvayoiyava, meaning Big Falling Snow. You can also translate that as Big Falling Snowflake. I received this name because my father belonged to the Rain-Cloud, or Water, Clan. It was traditional for aunts on the father's side to name a child, and they usually selected a name that revealed the father's clan affiliations. Snow is an aspect of rain, so Nuvayoiyava indicated my father's clan. If you meet a man named Hontoechi, meaning Bear Moccasins, you know that his father was a Bear Clan person. If a man's name is Chucka, meaning mud, you know that his father was Sand Clan,

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The deadline for advance registration is Friday, March 20. To request additional information or registration form, please contact: Richard or Ellen Dempsey, Seminar Coordinators, 2437 Beautyberry Court, Tallahassee, FL 32308. Call 850-671-2748. Email: richardd@nettally.com

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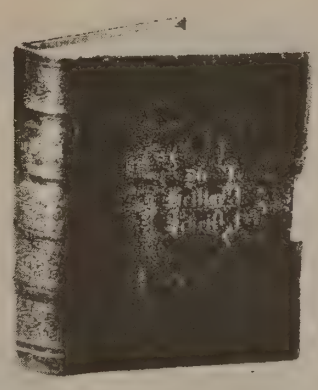

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Bits o' this and bits 'o that — from the Scottish community

What's for supper?

Scottish meals were not much like our modern American fare. In the early Scots kitchen, the food consisted of game or fish boiled or seethed in primitive fashion over the peat embers; barley bannnocks and oatcakes baked on the ancient greadeal; cheese and butter; wild fruit, wild herbs and honey of the wild bee.

In the Highlands, the ancient parsimony was long preserved. The water in which a piece of mutton or venison was boiled, thickened with oatmeal and flavored with wild herbs, formed the morning and evening meal in the hall of a Highland chief.

On Skye, the ordinary diet is butter, cheese, milk, potatoes, colewort and oatmeal boiled with water. The latter taken with some bread.

The same frugality prevailed in the Lowlands. At Lesmahagow, a village in Lanarkshire, the people lived on cakes made of pease and barley mixed. No meat or drink except water.

With thanks to The Clan Stewart Society of Northern California, *A' Bhratach Stiubhart.*

The Scottish Association of Family History Societies 9th annual Conference

The Scottish Association of Family History Societies presents their ninth Annual Conference, "People, Place and Peregrinations" to be hosted by Dumfries & Galloway Family History Society at Easterbrook Hall, The Crichton, Bankend Road, Dumfries on Saturday, 25th April 1998.

Conference Secretary, Mrs. Betty Watson, may be reached by writing Kylelea, Corsock, Castle-Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire DG7 3DN. Email bilholland@aol.com

Fees for the conference are 16 pounds (8 pounds for the conference, 8 pounds for lunch).

1998 Central New York Scottish Games set for August

The 1998 Central New York Scottish Games will be held August 7 and 8 at Long Branch Park, Liverpool, New York.

For information, write CNYSG, PO Box 6405, Syracuse, NY 13217. You may call John MacNeill, 607-253-7912 or Betsy Buchanan at 315-252-5876.

Scottish festival in Salem, Oregon

The ninth annual Mid-Willamette Scottish Heritage Festival will be held Saturday, March 28, 1998 at the Salem Armory Auditorium next to the Oregon State Fairgrounds, 17th and Sunnyview in Salem, Oregon. The event will be held 10 am until 6 pm with opening ceremonies at noon.

The festival is a presentation of the Mid-Willamette St. Andrew's Society. This is an open to the public, indoor celebration of the history and culture of Scotland and features traditional music, dance, costumes, clan displays and food, beverage and variety vendors.

For information, contact Kees Grashoff, 503-838-6506. Write the Mid-willamette st. Andrew's Society, Inc., PO box 3092; Salem, OR 97302.

Las Vegas , Nevada plans Scottish festival

The Clark County Department of Parks and Recreation and the St. Andrew's Society of Las Vegas, Nevada announce a new Scottish Festival to be held October 9-11, 1998. The festival will be held in a 364 acre park with a lake only 2 miles from the famous Las Vegas Strip.

The Men of Worth are already booked for the event.

For more information, contact Fred McElhaney, 2601 E. Sunset Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89121. Call 702-455-2452.

Coffins, tombstones and lots of nails

Our word "coffin" comes from the Greek "kophinos," meaning "baskets." It was in baskets woven of plaited twigs that ancient Sumerians (ca 4000 B.C.) interred their dead. It was fear of the deceased that accounted for the origin of coffins.

In northern Europe drastic measures were taken to prevent the dead from haunting the living. Often a dead man's body was bound and the feet and head removed. Enroute to the graveside, a circuitous course was taken so he couldn't retrace the path home. In some cultures, the dead were removed, not through their home's front door, but by a hole cut in the wall and closed up afterward. Burial six feet underground was viewed as a good precaution, but entombment first in a wooden coffin was even safer. Nailing down the lid afforded extra protection.

Not only were many early coffins secured with numerous nails (far too many archaeologists contend, than needed to keep the lid from coming off), but after the coffin was lowered into the ground, a large, heavy stone was placed atop the lid before

soil was shoveled in. A larger stone topped off the closed grave, giving birth to the practice of the tombstone. Those were days when family and friends never ventured near the dead.

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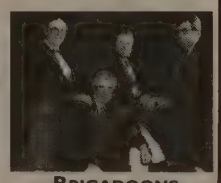

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Glasgow Highland Games hosts international gathering

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The Glasgow Games promotes just such an occasion complete with wonderful Kentucky Southern hospitality. The Glasgow Games will invite a minimum of seven Clan Chiefs to be guests and is accepting requests from Clan Societies at this time.

Information or requests should be directed to: Maureen Hendrick, Executive Secretary, Glasgow Highland Games, Inc., 119 E. Main St.., Glasgow, KY 42141. Call 502-651-3141.

Col. Cliff Hansen,
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prison and a monstrous fine. First, he would be locked into a tollbooth and would remain there until his fine was paid in full. Once this was accomplished, he would be carted off to prison to begin serving his sentence. James Mitchell, under oath, swore he did not attack Allan Langmuir. He was set free. Under this system of law, the accused proved his own innocence or guilt.

Children vagabonds and girl urchins, together with women young and old, usually had no hope of ever meeting the accessed fines. When a certain quantity level was met, the city council would grant the keeper of the tollbooth an amount of money claimed to have been expended, from his own pocket, to feed these unfortunate waifs.

Released from the tollbooth the group, in its entirety, would be loaded aboard ship and sent to the colonies to work out their sentences. Is this how Aunt Minnie arrived in the Carolinas? Her name would be on the ship's manifest.

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Celebrate Tartan Day

Monday, April 6, 1998

marks the anniversary of the declaration of Scottish independence in 1320 at Abroath Abbey on the east coast of Scotland. The document included the following lines:

"For we fight not for glory, nor riches, nor honours, but for freedom alone, which no good man gives up except with his life."

The observance of Tartan Day commemorates all that is best in Scottish history and culture as well as the great contributions that Scots and Scots-Americans have made to the history and development of the United States.

The following organizations, representing hundreds of Scottish-American groups and hundreds of thousands of individuals who are proud of their heritage, urge you to participate in Tartan Day.

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Ellis Island on "Endangered List"

Ellis Island, the first stop for millions of American immigrants is falling into ruin and is now one of the nation's eleven most endangered historic places, a preservation group says.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation said a lack of funding for the National Park Service has led to poor maintenance on the island in New York Harbor. The trust blamed Congress.

"This is a wake-up call for all Americans," said Richard Moe, the trust's president. "We cannot take our past for granted. Once these links are gone, they cannot be replaced."

The 26-acre island is owned by the federal government and is part of the Statue of Liberty National Monument.

The restored Main Building was reopened with great fanfare in 1990 and other buildings have been restored as part of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum. Moe said many buildings badly need repairs.

"Our ancestors used their life savings to purchase a one-way ticket to a destination they had only heard about. One that held the promise of hope, freedom and opportunity.

Having sold their few worldly possessions, they boarded a ship with little more than the clothes on their backs and dreams in their heads.

Their lives were reduced to one line entered on a ship's manifest."

Lee Iacocca

The other "endangered" sites are: The Congressional Cemetery in Washington, DC; the Flathead Indian Reservation in northwestern Montana; the Bridge of Lions, St. Augustine, Florida; the Cranston Street Armory, Providence, Rhode Island and the Montezuma Castle, Montezuma, New Mexico.

With thanks to *The Courier News* via the Elgin Genealogical Society newsletter.

Whittier Area Genealogical Society Seminar set for February 21

The Whittier Area Genealogical Society Seminar is set for Saturday, February 21, 1998 at the Masonic Temple, 7604 South Greenleaf Ave., Whittier, California.

James W. and Paula Stuart Warren will present a day of programs of great interest to genealogists.

WAGS member reservations are $22 each and nonmember reservations are $25 each. Reservations postmarked after February 7 are $30.

Mail to PO Box 4367, Whittier, CA 90607. Tickets will be held at the door. For further information call 562-696-7322.

More on Illinois Public Records...

Access to Illinois Public Records, despite current rumors on the Internet, Director John Daily, of the Illinois State Archives informs our readers that Illinois public records are NOT closed to reference by anyone not possessing an Illinois private detective's license.

The Illinois State Genealogical Society is taking steps to amend 1994 legislation of the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation that places such a requirement on anyone consulting public records for a "fee or other valuable consideration." The object is to clearly exempt those who do so in researching genealogy, lineage or ancestry.

With thanks to the Illinois State Archives and Director John Daily.

Ninth North Arkansas Ancestor Fair planned for June

The Ninth North Arkansas Ancestor Fair is a fantastic research opportunity for north Arkansas researchers, researching in a north Arkansas triangle corned by Washington, Sharp and Pope counties.

Guest speakers for Thursday and Friday cover Wayne County, Tennessee Research, White-Indian Contact, Problem Solving in Ozark's Research and Genealogy on the Internet.

Saturday offers opportunities to share family history with hundreds of researchers or to gather family history from scores of family historians and county societies.

Activities will be at the Leslie Public School, Leslie, Arkansas.

For more information and application forms, contact James J. Johnston, 2333 East Oaks Drive, Fayetteville, AR 72703. Call 501-442-3691. Email: johnston@ips.net You may also contact Vickie Pruetzel, PO Box 1136, Marshall, AR 72650. Call 870-448-5983.

Spring genealogy conference set for April in Springfield, OH

The Ohio Chapter Palatines to America and the Clark County Ohio Genealogical Society present their spring genealogy conference next April 18. "Religion and Immigration" will be the subject of this all-day event. The meeting will be at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church at 27 N. Wittenburg Ave., Springfield, Ohio.

For more information, and registration before 8 April, contact Mrs. Russell Hall, 181 Helschman Ave., Worthington, OH 43085. Fee for the spring conference is $18 for members and $20 for nonmembers. Luncheon is included. Register at the door, add $2.00. When you register, please send along four of the surnames you are researching.

Riemer to speak next March in Claremont

Shirley J. Riemer of Sacramento, California, author of *The German Research Companion*, will speak at a German seminar on Saturday, March 28, 1998, at Scripps College, Claremont. Riemer's topics will be: "Just Enough German for Reading Book titles and Chapter Headings," "German Research Resources Too Often Ignored," "Some On-and-Off-Beat Tactics for Finding a Place of Origin," and "In German Research, Browsing is Not a Sin," The seminar is sponsored by the German Genealogical Society of America (GGSA) - 2125 Wright Avenue, C-9, LaVerne, CA 91750-5814.

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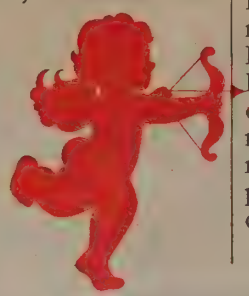

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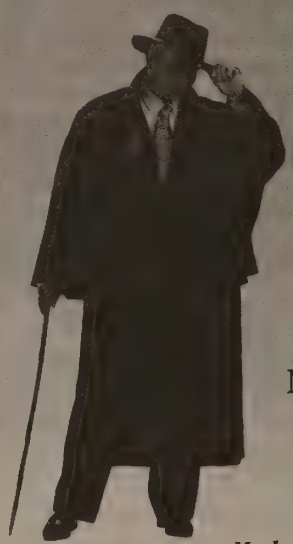

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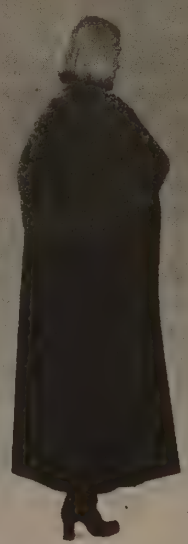

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because earth and sand together cover the breast of Mother Earth. If a name has tawa in it, meaning sun, that means the father belonged to the Sun Clan, which claims a special affiliation with the sun. However, a person's named doesn't reveal his own clan, which is the same as his mother's. Nuvayoiyava was the only name I had till I went to school. Because my teachers couldn't pronounce it very well they shortened it to Yava. But that wasn't enough for them. They didn't like it that the children had no family names. So they sort of turned our individiual names into family names and gave us personal names like John, Mary, Henry, Peter, and so on.

One teacher wanted to call me Oliver, but another one who took a personal interest in me said, 'No, I like the name Albert, and that's what we're going to call him.' This explains how I came to be Albert Yava. Later on in life when I was initiated into the One Horn Society they gave me a ceremonial name, Eutawisa, meaning Close In the Antelopes. It was supposed to drown out my original name, but people still call me Yava." (p.3) The first lesson with this tribe and many others is that you must consider clan affiliations in addition to the person's name.

The second lesson is that across all tribes, the governments and schools had a major influence on naming. Russell Means, son of an Oglala Lakota father and a Yankton Dakota mother, in what became known as South Dakota, describes government influence on the evolution of his name, "Although my white name is Russell, my mother also named me Wanbli Ohitika, or Brave Eagle. It was a good name to live up to. Grandpa John told endless stories about young men who had the opportunity to live up to their names. (p. 13) .....I know comparatively little about my father's family tree.

Walter 'Hank' Means was an Oglala, a son of one of the seven bands of the Lakota Nation. His great-grandfather broke wild horses into saddle broncs for the U.S. Army. In the Lakota way of naming people, the great-grandfather's name meant something like 'Trains His Horses Well," a compliment that got lost when it was mistranslated as 'Mean to His Horses.'

When his son went off to boarding school, the name was arbitrarily shortened to Means." (p. 17)

Generally speaking, the American government and government and church backed schools forced the Indians into adopting single surnames. It helped in the publicly announced policy of breaking the native peoples of their tradtional cultures and made it more convenient administratively for the Americans to keep their records.

Whether for good or bad, it is those very records that genealogists and people tracing their family histories now rely heavily on.

In the Southeastern United States in the late 1700s and all through the 1800s many Cherokees adopted the European tradition of using surnames and passing the name on to their children. Many chose European surnames. Intermarriage also brought many European names into the tribe. As a result, Adair, Vann, Starr, Price, Grant, Hicks, Guess, Ward, Smith, Taylor, Ross, and Boudinot have been Cherokee names for many scores of years.

Some Cherokees translated the meaning of their Cherokee names into the English equivalent word, such as Bean, Walker, Bear Paw, Tadpole, Wolf, Locust, Flea, Cricket, Rider, Pumpkinpile, Acorn, Housebug, Pigeon, or Smoke. In most Cherokee cases the names made reference to a single animal, insect, plant, or part of the environment, as opposed to the compound names common to many other Indian tribes like He Who Thinks, Holy Bear, Little Beaver, White Buffalo Calf Woman, or Thunder Over the Mountains. Compound names did appear among the Cherokees but not as frequently, like Goingsnake, Bellowingsnake, Dreadfulwater, Going Up Stream, Big Drum, Arrowkeeper, Broken In Two, Swimmer, Buck Scraper, Old Blanket, White Man Killer, or Tobacco Mouth. In addition, some Cherokees names were anglicized by translating the Cherokee language sounds into the English alphabet. Examples are Oo Ta Wo Ta, Ooh Lah Nea Tah, Ahquatageh, Ko Tut Tih Nih, Kow Wee Te Tee, Te Ke Nas Ki, Tehital Leh Ih, Wah Wha UU Ta Ainih.

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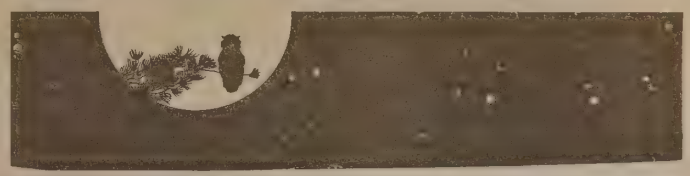
Delaware-Wyandot Nation monument dedicated in KS

In 1843, a historic land deal between two Indian Nations, the Delaware and the Wyandot, involves much of what is today Kansas City, Kansas. A seven foot monument now pays tribute to this historic event. The monument is located on the campus of Kansas City Community College and was dedicated by the Wyandotte County Historical Society.

The Wyandots moved to the area in 1842 after being forced from their lands in Ohio. Hopes to purchase land from the Shawnee south of the Missouri River did not materialize. On December 14, 1843, the Delaware, who owned 2 million acres sold the Wyandot's 36 sections of land at the convergence of the Missouri and Kansas rivers for $46,080 and gave them three additional sections for churches and educational purposes.

With thanks to *The Delaware Indian News.*



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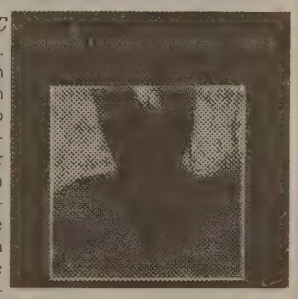

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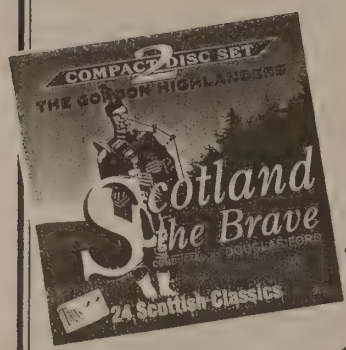

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The West Dorset group of the Somerset and Dorset Family History Society are organizing a Seminar in Lyme Regis, Dorset, England on Saturday 6th June this year. The Seminar will focus on the connections between Dorset and New England, Virginia, the West Indies and Newfoundland.

Talks will include early settlers, 19th Century migration and practical help about researching on both sides of the Atlantic, including materials at the Public Record Office in Kew, the Society of Genealogists in London, the Library of Congress and the internet. The idea of the seminar is to give researchers on both sides of the Atlantic a chance to meet and exchange ideas and get some practical first hand information about what resources are available with the guidance of specialists in the field, both from England and North America.

We are also planning to set up a data base on migration from Dorset to the New World. We have one main speaker, David Underdown, Professor of History at Yale and author of *Fire from Heaven*, the story of Dorchester in the 1600s. David will set the scene with his Keynote Speech, "England in the 17th Century, why people went to the New World?"

This will be followed by four sessions about different aspects of migration and research, in each session several contributors will give a short input on the subject, followed by questions, giving people a chance to get involved.

There are several other activities planned for the weekend. On Friday evening there is a reception at the Lyme Regis Philpot Museum. Saturday the Seminar and Saturday evening a Dorset evening of song and dance with the Yetties an Internationally known group from Dorset. Sunday is a Family History Fair where many other Family History Societies and booksellers etc.. will have stands. Lyme Regis is a lovely old town in west Dorset, with strong connections to the New World, some of the earliest settlers in Virginia and New England came from there. It was the location for the film *The French Lieutenant's Woman* with Meryl Streep, the author John Fowles lives in the town. Looking forward to seeing you in Lyme Regis.

For updates on the seminar and more informatoin about our Society visit, our Society web site, http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/Alan_I_Brown For more information and how to register contact: Jane Ferentzi-Sheppard, (Seminar Organiser), Torestin, Shedbush Lane, Stanton St. Gabriel, Bridport, Dorset. DT6 6DR, England.Tel/Fax: 44 1297 489771. E-mail: 106606.444@compuserve.com (an avid reader of *The Family Tree*, with Robison, Trotter, Bills, Cochran, Phifer, King, Alexander and Cagle connections etc.. in TN. AL. GA. NC.)

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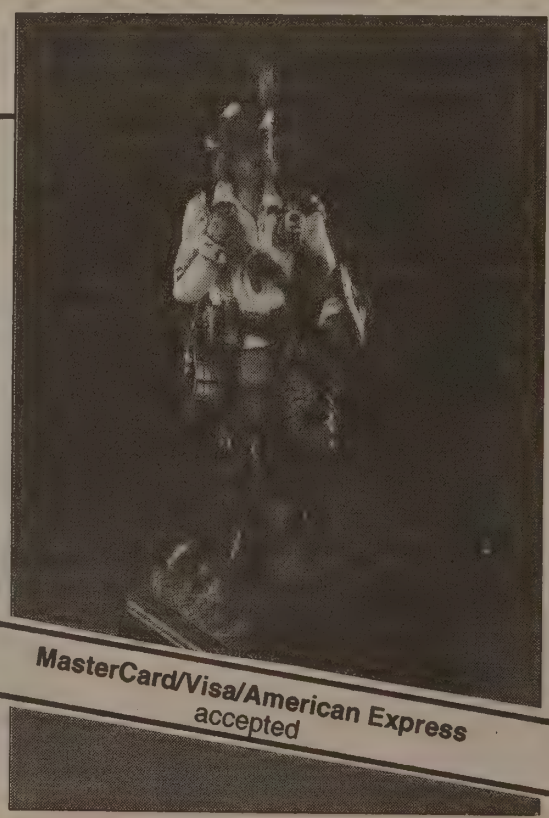

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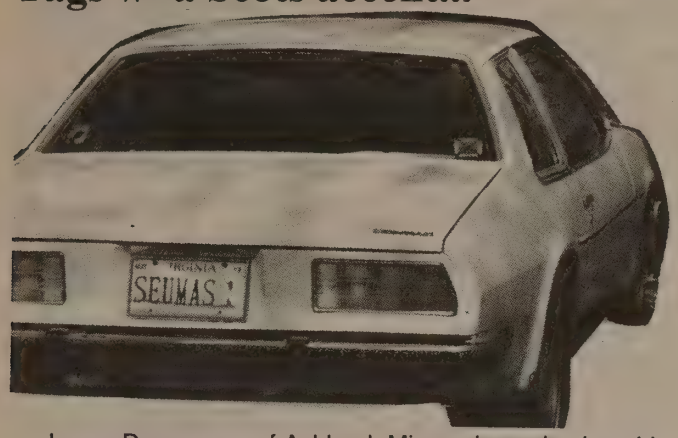

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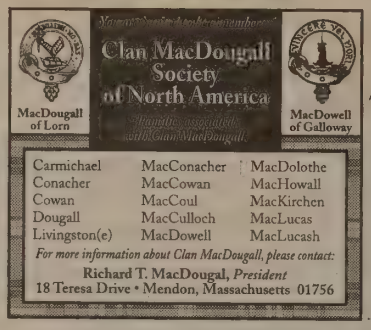

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Hemphill reunion planned

The Hemphill Historical Society will hold their annual reunion June 12 & 13 in Asheville, North Carolina. The gathering will include a tour of nearby historic areas. At the banquet, a guest speaker will talk about the history of the area and how Hemphills were part of it. For reservations and information contact Mrs. Jane Williams, 913 W. Martintown Rd., North Augusta, SC 29481. Call 803-279-7870.

Mission Bay High School Class of 1978 gathers in August

The class of 1978, Mission Bay High School of San Diego, California is planning a reunion this coming August 8. Contact Janice Pollack Mehring, 805-528-6359 for more information.

Sanders family holds reunion

The Sanders family, kin and friends, are invited to attend their annual reunion this May in Forrest City, Arkansas. Contact Larry Sanders, 14 Waymire, St. Louis, MO 63119. Call 314-963-1847 for more information.

Campbell family meets

The Campbell family will meet this coming August 2, 1998 in Stanley, New York. Contact Mary C. Baxter, 4804 Main St., Snyder, NY 14226-4020 for more information.

Gowen Research Foundation Research Conference & Family Reunion set for SLC

The Gowen Research Foundation is planning their annual Foundation Research Conference and Family Reunion this coming June 21-23 at the Best Western Sale Lake Plaza Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Contact the Gowen Research Foundation, 5708 Gary Ave., Lubbock, TX 79413 for more information.

Admire-Legan reunion set for July

The 13th annual Admire-Legan Reunion will be held at the Seasons Lodge and Conference Center in Nashville, Indiana next July 16, 17 & 18.. Plans are to have the Genealogy Room of the Johnson County Historical Society open for researchers.

There will be a cemetery tour of areas where Legans and Admires lived.

Write for more information: Gerald Legan, 3590 S. 3000 W. Rd., Kankakee, IL 60901-7878.

Cooper/Robards reunion planned

Tentative plans are to honor the Florida Pioneer families of Rev. Wm. Brauner Cooper and Ann G. Robarts and William Hudson Scruggs/Rebecca Mathers on 30-31 May 1998. Activities are planned at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Monticello, Jefferson County, Florida on Saturday, May 30 and at the Scruggs Family Cemetery, Aucila, Jefferson Co., Florida on Sunday afternoon the 31st.

Saturday activities will include a review of both family histories (exchange of information encouraged), a wreath-laying ceremony and a guest speaker plus a catered lunch.

Sunday activities will include worship services followed by another wreath-laying at the Scruggs Family Cemetery and SCV/UDC ceremonies honoring CSA veterans, including participation by WBTS Reenactors.

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Please contact James M. Scruggs, 25 Sloop Drive, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 or call 407-783-6218.

Leftwich family to meet in Virginia

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Address questions to Mrs. C. Wayne Shell, 2909 Landsdowne Dr., Montgomery, AL 36111-1715. Call 334-834-4231.

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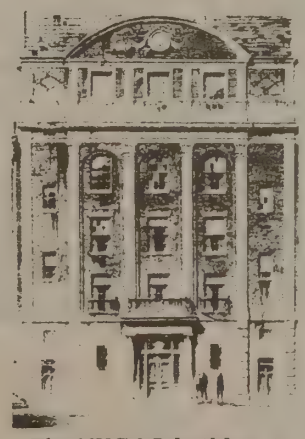

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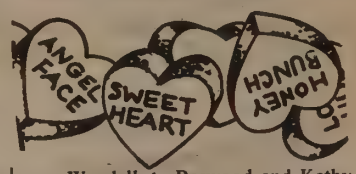

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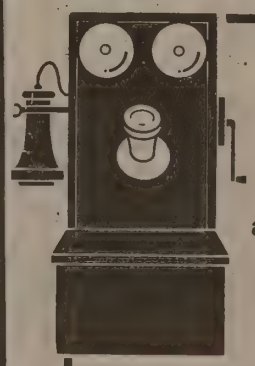

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The IIGS mission statement says:

* To assist in the creation and maintenance of genealogical resources on the Internet, by funding selected projects using resources obtained through grants, bequests and large donations.

* To represent the interests of genealogists using the Internet, both by providing counsel to organizations providing services on the Internet and by lobbying organizations and agencies who make decisions which affect Internet genealogists.

* To promote the development of standards, protocols and software for the distribution of genealogical information over the Internet.

* To provide a common social organization for genealogists using the Internet, regardless of their specific interests.

Interested persons may join by sending a message to INET-GENSOC-L-request@rootsweb.com with the word "subscribe" in the body. Be prepared for an onslaught of mail as the new group attempts to clearly establish its organization and debates about its purpose.

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COSCA, *con't from page 16B*

Mid-America Committee, Chicago's British Consulate and the city of Birmingham, England.

The groups' mission statement reads as follows: In affiliation with the Illinois St. Andrew's Society, the Scottish Business Forums mission is to create a Chicago based forum for those who either have or seek to have a connection with Scotland, wherein linked goals of promoting business/professional development and expanding social interests can be achieved. Our action should result in a greater understanding of where opportunities lie for Midwesterners to commence or augment business activities related to Scotland as well as allowing Scots residing in this area to benefit from a wider circle of contacts and acquaintances.

The Forum, now a core group of people from varied business backgrounds with interests on both sides of the Atlantic, is committed to expanding its membership and programs. Although its present focus seems to be centered around Chicago, I am sure they would welcome inquiries form anyone who has an interest. For more information, contact Sue Mitchell-G'Sell, Illinois St. Andrew's Society Director of Development at 708-447-5092.

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Clan MacRae now has an Internet website!

Clan MacRae Commissioner Rod MacRae writes, "The ancient Clan MacRae is moving into the 20th century with an address on the internet."

Clinton Moore of Kansas City has developed a website and has offered it to the Clan MacRae as an "official" address.

The website address is: http://www.geocities.com;Heartland/Plains/6803/ .

If you wish to submit material, write Clint Moore, 12008 w. 78th Terrace #C, Lenexa, KS 66216.

Clan Donald has new website

If you are a web-surfer you might wish to see Clan Donald USA's new website at: http://www.clan-donald-usa.org/

Website for The American-Scandinavian Foundation

The American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) has announced the opening of its website, which can be accessed at http://www.amscan.org

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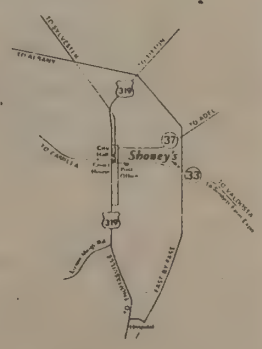

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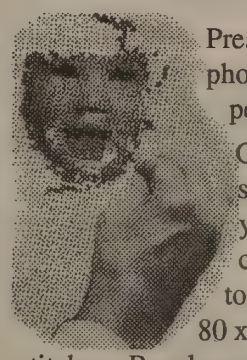

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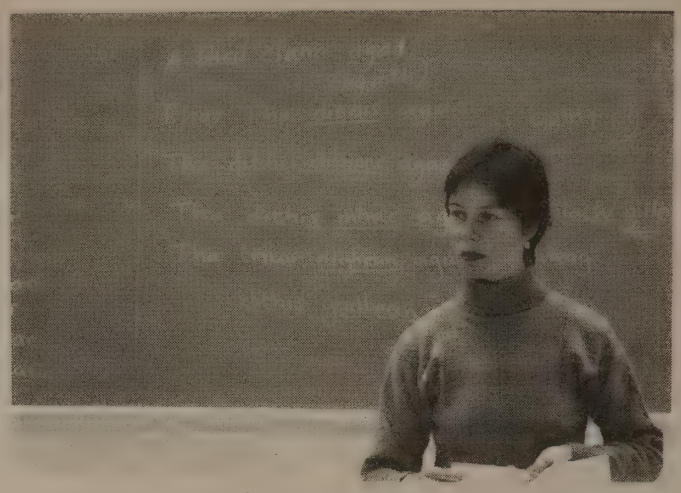
The course was offered through the auspices of St. Andrews' Scottish Heritage Center, with the assistance of *Comunn Na Gaidhlig* (The Gaelic Society), which promotes Gaelic education in Scotland. "Offering this immersion course for an extended four week period is a first in the United States," explained Bill Caudill, Director of the Scottish Heritage Center at St. Andrews. "Most immersion courses are offered as weekend workshops."

"The Gaelic Society placed Ishbel Murray here because the Southeast has the highest concentration of Scottish descendants in the United States," Caudill added. "It's natural, from a historical perspective, for the revival to occur in the greater Scotland County community because the language was more prominent here in the mid to late 19th century than anywhere else in the United States."

Caudill pointed out that many older churches in the area started as bilingual congregations, a tradition that continued well into the 20th century. "We are within living memory of Gaelic," he said. "We still use words in everyday Southern-speak that once were Gaelic in origin. For instance, "pig in a poc (bag)," "to stop (a protrusion) your toe," "biddies (small)," "shoot (continue)," and "that's just smashing (very good)" are numerous examples."

Caudill said, "Students should conclude this course with a basic, conversational knowledge of the Gaelic language. If all goes well, he predicts the course will be offered again in the future. We should make an effort to promote awareness of the Gaelic culture, influences and traditions in this area.



Ishbel Murray, Gaelic Immersion Course instructor at St. Andrews' College, Laurenburg, North Carolina.

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Our ancestor, **ANDREW BROWN,** was sent to America by the King of England to fight the Americans. Around 1910, three of my aunts tried to get into the Daughters of the American Revolution. The story goes, they were informed their great grandfathers had fought on the wrong side. We have tried in vain to find a record of the prisoners of the Battle of Yorktown or any record of the men who served there...or, where they came from. An 1880 vingate on the history of Henderson Co., IL states **ANDREW,** at the surrender, saw **CORNWALLIS** surrender his sword to **GEORGE WASHINGTON.** The nation was conceived in 1776, but born at the last battle, Yorktown, in 1781. Where can we find the information we need? Please write **William "Bill" Gullberg, Sr., Box 205, Stronghurst, IL 61480.**

Seeking information on **GEORGE ZINN.** 1850 Census of Vermilion Co., IL indicates birth in Georgia 1774-76. He is buried in Illinois in 1851, 1st son, **JACOB,** also born in Georgia 1805. His wife was **MARY ? ZINN.** Other children were **GEORGE W., MERRITT, NANCY, WILLIS, JOEL** and possibly **ISABEL.** These siblings were born in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Contact **Jerry Zinn, 2344 W. Rusholme, Davenport, IA 52804.**

MILES FORREST married **CATHERINE BEVILLE.** He was buried 20 August 1558, Morborne, Huntingdon, England. They had three children: **ROBERT FORREST** who married **AGNES WALCOT; HENRY FORREST; CECILY FORREST** who married **HUMPHREY ORME.** Any information is appreciated. **Joan Vickers, 110 Pine Meadows Loop, Hot Springs, AR 71901.**

Joseph C. Brown, 1101 Hartwell Rd., Summit, MS 39666 seeks data on **FLOYD WILLIAMS, SR., NEHEMIAH WILLIAMS, JAMES ROLLINS** and **THOMAS MERRITT** of early Franklin (Bute), Warren counties, North Carolina. Will share, trade and pay expense.

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Seeking information on **JOHN ZEKEIAL YATES, SR.,** who married **REBECCA LUMBACH.** Children: **JOHN YATES, JR.** The only information on the YATES known to me is that they died in Floyd County, GA. Any information on this family would be most helpful. **David Nelson, 4 Garden Court South, Rome, GA 30165.**

Seeking parents of **ANNE OGLESBY,** born 1760 and married 1778 to **SHERWOOD "SHAROD" BUGG** in Fluvanna or Amherst County, Virginia. Please write **Barbara Faber, 157 S. Reynolds Ave., Canon City, CO 81212.**

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Desire data: **CHARLES WEBER** and wife, **MARY STRIBLE** (1857-1907) and daughter, **SUZIE WEBER** (1884-1904), Tolchester, Maryland music man. Was **SUSAN** engaged to **PATRICK** ?? Death date of **CHARLES WEBER: JOHN DREWE** and wife, **HANNAH CHURCHILL** (1643-1721), Plymouth, MA. I must trace ancestors **WILLEM PONTUS** and wife, **WYBRA HANSON** (Netherlands) **HANNAH'S** grandparents. **Richard Morrissey, 28656 Murrieta Rd., Sun City, CA 92586.**

CHAPMAN. RUTHY TAYLOR MOORE, NETTIE RUTH TAYLOR ASHE, SAM TAYLOR known to have been living in Moultrie, GA ca 1966. Any contact greatly appreciated. **Charles Taylor, 2210 Basket, Pasadena, TX 77502-3854. Call 713-472-4207.**

Seeking parents of **WYATT W. WORTHY** born in Chester County, South Carolina in 1811. Also parents of his wife, **ELIZABETH HARRIS,** born in South Carolina. They appear in the 1840 Census in Chester County and in the 1850 Census in Randolph County, Alabama. Thank you. Please reply: **Gloyce C. Howell, 606 Deerwood St., Columbia, South Carolina 29205. Email: Gloyce@aol.com**

Seek information on parents of **SAMUEL McCURLEY** born 1840, GA. **JOHN McININCH** born 1818 in New York. Write **Betty Knowles, 9018 Greiner, Houston, TX 77080.**

Seek information about all of the following people from Scotland: **GEORGE SHORTREED** who married 20 March 1705 at parish of Southdean, Co. of Roxburgh, Jedburgh to **HELEN (ANN) MOLL** of Eckford. **ROBERT SHORTREED** (son of **GEORGE**) born ca 1706 - 1710? Lived at Essenside and married **ELIZABETH ELLIOT,** daughter of **THOMAS ELLIOT,** both of Oakwood Mill. **JAMES SHORTREED,** son of **ROBERT,** born ca 1730-1755. Lived at Woollee, Essenside and married **ELLEN CURRIE.** They lived at Jedburgh. **THOMAS SHORTREED,** son of **JAMES,** born 1777 Scotland. Baptized 17 May 1774 (dates to not agree) died 1841 Guelph, Ontario? Canada. Married 1807 in Scotland to **ISABELLA ARMSTRONG,** daughter of **JOHN ARMSTRONG** and **ANN F.C.. ISABELLA** was born 1773 on the English border. She was Christened 14 May 1773 Morpeth and died 1860 Guelph, Ontario, Canada. She lived at Roxburghshire and migrated from Hawich, Scotland to Guelph, Ontario, Canada in 1831 with six of their sons. **THOMAS** and **ISABELLA SHORTREED** are my great great grandparents. Any information will be very helpful and deeply appreciated. Please contact **Bonnadean Shortreed Nelson, PO Box 811, Palmer, AK 99645.**

Seeking information on parents of brothers **JOHN W. KERR,** born 1798, Lincoln Co., KY and **JAMES KERR,** born 1804, Pulaski Co., KY. His father, **JAMES KERR,** reportedly settled in VA in 1700s. Please write **Col. Jack E. McDonald, 798 Mallory St., #37, St. Simons Island, GA 31522.**

Seeking information **McGOWIN** family Screven Co., GA early 1800s. **SAM** and **JAMES** left for Conecuh/Escambia Counties, Alabama 1820s and **ALEXANDER, JACOB** and **ANTHONY** went to Decatur Co., GA. Their parents were **MARY LEWIS** and **JAMES McGOWIN** and grandparents **JAMES** and **SOPHIA McGOWIN,** from middle South Carolina, Savannah area 1770s and 1780s and Screven Co. 1790s. Who were the parents of **JAMES** and **SOPHIA** and where were they from? Seeking information on **LEWIS** family from Burke/Screven Cos., GA 1760s, early 1800s. **MARY LEWIS** married **JAMES McGOWIN** 1795 and **THOMAS FLOYD** ca 1810, settled in Conecuh/Escambia Co., AL 1820s 1820s. **MARY** was probably the daughter of **JACOB LEWIS,** son of **EVAN LEWIS** who died Burke Co., 1766. Need confirmation. Who were **EVAN**'s wife and parents and where were they from?
Seeking information on the **FLOYD** family of Burke/Screven Cos., GA late 1700s and early 1800s, settled Conecuh/Escambia Co., AL 1820s. **THOMAS FLOYD** married **MARY LEWIS McGOWIN, THOMAS M. FLOYD**'s daughter, **NANCY** married **PETER McGOWIN. JORDAN FLOYD** married **MARY McGOWIN** and **JAMES FLOYD** married **POLLY McGOWIN FOLKS.** How are all these **FLOYD**'s connected? Where did they come from before Screven County?
Seeking information on **PETER MASON** whose family lived in present day Emanuel Co., GA late 1700s and early 1800s, settled Conecuh/Escambia Co., AL 1820s. Daughter **MARTHA MASON** married **SAMUEL McGOWIN** ca 2830 in AL. Who was **PETER**'s wife? Who were their parents? Where were they from?
Please contact **Greeley McGowin, 4 Mackay Lane, Savannah, GA 31411 if you have any information. Call 912-598-1281. FAX: 912-598-1270.**

JOHN CURLET, died by 1799. His wife was **RACHEL** who died 31 May 1812. Their daughter was **JANE M. HARRISON TAYLOR.** All in Frederick Co., VA. Could **CURLET** family be from Scotland? Please write **Penelope Woodford, 11525 Stillbrook Rd., Richmond, VA 23236. Email: woodhome@erols.com**

JOHN LAWSON, born 23 Dec. 1825 near Macon, GA and died 9 June 1899 Jackson Co., IN and married ca 1849-50 KY **NANCY DURHAM.** They lived in Rockcastle Co., KY 1850-186? - 1800 IN. Parents born KY according to 1880 US census. Who were they? **Eldon E. Lawson, 23942 Wolf Rd., Bay Village, OH 44140.**

Need parents and siblings of **JOHN HUNTER** born 1751 PA, and died 2 July 1829, OH. Married ca 1770 **MARGARET WATT(S)** born 1751 Lancaster Co., PA and died 28 September 1827 OH. **JOHN** joined Rev. War in Lancaster Co. **Ann Emery Hunter, 736 SE 18th Ave., Ocala, FL 34471-4114.**

Seek parents of **CAROLINE WOOTEN,** born 1838, Virginia, married **BENJAMIN B. MOORMAN,** 4 March 1858 in Green County, OH, died ca 1885, OH. **Stephen Hill, PO Box 12, East Palestine, OH 44413.**

I wish to contact descendants of **WILLIAM JEFFERSON HAYES** born 4 March 1862, NC. He died 18 March 1937, Sandy Mush, NC. **Roberta Duckett Rowland, 1508 Brownsville Rd., Columbia, LA 71418.**

Need the maiden name of **SARAH,** who married **WILLIAM MILLS** 1836-1838, probably Lee Co., GA - the Court House burned. Sons **THOMAS MILLS** and **HIRAM MILLS** died during War Between the States. Son, **HENRY,** survived the war. Other known children: **MARTHA, REBECCA, SUSAN. Betty Lois Salter, 263 Pope Rd., Norman Park, GA 31771. Call 912-985-4323.**

Can anyone tell me how to research Prince Georges Co., MD by mail? I may be able to find my fourth great grandfather there. His name was **GEORGE RIDDLE.** He may have been born in NE Ireland. How can I prove which is correct? There is a **GEORGE RIDDLE** born in Prince George Co., to **JOHN** and **ELIZABETH RIDDLE.** How can I prove or disprove that they are my fifth great grandparents? If **GEORGE** was born in Ireland, what letters do I write and to whom? **Estelene Lapinski, 12006 SE 270th St., Kent, WA 98031-7838. grammybillie@juno.com**

Need parents **(BENJAMIN MACKINTIRE?)** of **RUFUS MACKINTIRE, SR.** born ca 1715, RI and married **MARY BLACKMAR** 1741 Providence Co., RI. Children, **SIMEON MACKINTIRE** born ca 1750, RI, married **MARY ?** 1741 and **RUFUS MACKINTIRE, JR.** (both Rev. War). **SIMEON'S** son, **ASA MACKINTIRE** born 1780 RI married **EUNICE WARNER** 1803 in Dutchess Co., NY. **ASA'S** son, **OLIVER McINTYRE** born 1810 Connecticut married **DAMARIS JOHNSON** 1835 Delaware Co., NY. This family settled in Duane Co., WI in 1844, then moved to Fremont Co., IA in 1870. **Ann Howard, 4575 18th St., San Francisco, CA 94114. Email alhoward@juno.com**

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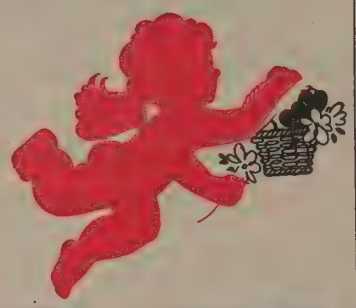

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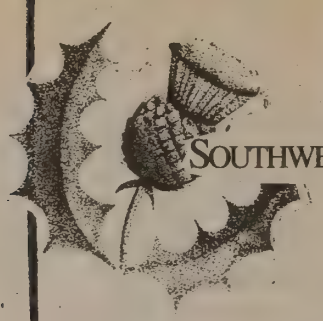

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Mr. and Mrs. E. Cameron Hickman have also honored Jim and Valerie Gray of Orlando, Florida with a most generous gift of $250. The Grays are very active in the Scottish community and also in Scottish Heritage USA.

Ed note: Just when I think our readers can't do anything to surprise me, along comes Royce and Clan Macneil and Mr. and Mrs. Hickman. What absolutely astounding acts of kindness and generosity. Thank you.

Bob McGregor elected new president of ASGF

ALEXANDRIA, VA — Robert McGregor, head of the Pikes Peak Highland Games of Colorado Springs, Colorado has assumed the presidency of the Association of Scottish Games and Festivals, following a mail vote by the national membership of ASGF.

Following the counting of ballots at the Annual General Meeting held December 6 in Alexandria, McGregor announced the appointment of the following members of the Executive Board: Margaret Callander of the Ohio Scottish Games as Vice-President; Gloria Hamilton of the Pikes Peak Highland Games as Secretary; Roberta Goss of the Ligonier Highland Games as Treasurer.

David L. Peet, the retiring president of the ASGF will continue on the Executive Board as the immediate Past President.

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His tombstone, a flush marker, is unadorned and rarely visited by tourists. In 1983, a sealed glass container with four $12 tickets to a Minnesota-Illinois game were left by an unidentified visitor. The sexton removed them almost a year later.

A memorial had been proposed in 1985, but construction never occurred. The Holiday Inn in Rhinelander honored Heisman by naming its banquet room for him.

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With thanks to the *Newsletter of the Wisconsin State Old Cemetery Society*.

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Program planned for Huntsville, AL

"Nineteenth Century Ancestors and the Records They Kept" will be the subject of the program planned April 3 - 4, 1998 at the Von Braun Convention Center, North Hall, Huntsville, Alabama. The event is sponsored by the Tennessee Valley Genealogical Society (TVGS). Write TVGS, PO Box 1568, Huntsville, AL 35807.

Information sought about Union County CSA members

Michael Laney is compiling a book about the Union County (GA) soldiers in the War Between the States. This book will be by unit, with information from *North Carolina Troops: A Roster*. Laney would like to include additional information on each soldier, such as birth and death dates, where they're buried, pension, etc.

Contact Mr. Laney at http://www.earthlink.net/~mlaney/Civil/CIVIL.HTML or email: mlaney@earthlink.net Write Michael Laney, 13449 Savanna, Tustin, CA 92783.

Dr. Timothy N. Thompson sends "signature" poem for *The Family Tree...*

From your ed:

Sometimes, it is sort of scary being inside your editor's head.

Last Tuesday morning, as I was opening mail, I was thinking that The Family Tree *needed a poem or some kind of saying that would let readers know what we are about...I was thinking about how there was simply no time to even think about writing such a thing myself and that I couldn't possibly explain exactly what it was that I wanted to anyone else...when I opened a letter from Timothy N. Thompson, Ph.D., Director of the Edinburo Highland Games in Edinboro, Pennsylvania...and actually gasped at what I saw...for Dr. Thompson has written a poem that is PERFECT for us (and much, much better than anything I could have written no matter how much time I had).*

Here is the poem. It will be in every issue of this publication from now on.

Thank you, Dr. Thompson!

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Clan Ross asks help with foundation grants

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The projects are: The Tain Silver Exhibit: The story of the silversmiths of Tain, Ross-shire housed at the Tain & District Museum. The donations assist with insurance, security, transport, catalog publishing and other costs associated with arranging for a loan from the Royal Collection.

Trail of Tears Interpretive Sign for the Trail of Tears State Park near Cape Giradeau, Missouri. John Ross was Principal Chief of the Cherokee during that era and the sign proposed will discuss Chief John Ross and acknowledge Clan Ross Association of the US.

Clan Ross Scholarship for one or more members or descendants of the Clan Ross Association.

If you would like to make a tax deductible contribution, earmarked for one or more of these enterprises, send a check made to the Clan Ross Foundation (These contributions may be in the form of memorials...) to Paul R. Peak, 6521 Old Dominion Dr., Apt. 306, McLean, VA 22101-4807. Call for more information: 703-237-0084.

1997 Chief of Clan Urquhart Awards announced

Kenneth Trist Urquhart of Urquhart's Award for outstanding Service to Clan Urquhart were awarded recently at the Clan Urquhart North American Gathering.

1997 recipients are Christie Urquhart Walsh, Clan Secretary for North America and Tim Walsh.

These plaques read: "For your superb contributions from 1994-1997 to The Clan Urquhart Association and in establishing the Clan Urquhart Foundation."

Robert Jeffrey Urquhart, Bard of Clan Urquhart is also an awardee. His plaque reads, "For your superb contributions during 1996-1997 in promoting Clan Urquhart's heritage and modern development via the Official Clan Urquhart Website."

Joan Erquitt Cook, Clan Commissioner for Georgia and William Donald Cook were also honored. Their plaque reads, "For your superb contributions from 1992-1997 to the Clan Urquhart Association in organizing and sponsoring our annual Southeast Regional Gatherings."

More information on Clan Urquhart may be obtained by writing Christie Urquhart Walsh, 56 Waldorf Dr., Akron, OH 44313.

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Cherokee Co., Texas Ancestor Swap-Meet set

The First Ever Ancestor Swap Meet held in Jacksonville, Texas is scheduled for Saturday, June 27, 1998 from 9 until 5 PM at the Norman Activity Center, 526 East Commerce Street.

There is a $15 per person fee ($25 per couple) in advance by June 13. $20 per person after that date and at the door is the charge.

The event is sponsored by the Cherokee County Genealogical Society and registration is limited to the first 300 who register.

For more information, contact W. Harold Acker, 903-586-8750. Email: gordonbe@e-tex.com

Everyone (attending or not) is encouraged to send surname(s) of interest as well as family information (charts, group sheets, printouts, etc.) as a surname list will be given to attendees and information received will be available for study and may be copied during the swap meet (copiers will be available at 10 cents a page). Please mail by June 13th information with Cherokee County connections.

Florida State Genealogical Society sets conference for November

The Florida State Genealogical Society will hold its 22nd annual Conference next November 6 and 7, 1998 at the Melbourne Airport Hilton in Melbourne, Florida. The featured speaker will be Paul Milner, a specialist in genealogical research in the British Isles.

For more information, contact Linda Pazics Kleback, 1607 Belmont Ave., Lynn Haven, FL 32444-3343. Call 850-265-8817. Email: linda_kleback@prodigy.com Handouts for a freebie table or door prizes should be sent to Pamela Hall, PO Box 7066, Vero Beach, FL 32691. Call 561-562-4495. Email: phall@iu.net

South Carolina Archives to be closed for move

The South Carolina Archives will close April 20th through May 4, 1998 to move to its new home at the South Carolina History Center, 8301 Parklane Road, Columbia. The Archives will open again at the new facility on May 5th.

Professional genealogist directory now available

The 1997-1998 APG Directory of Professional Genealogists is available for $15 (postage paid) from the Association of Professional Genealogists, PO Box 40393, Denver, CO 80205-0393.

Compiled and edited by Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens and Kathleen W. Hinckley, it lists by state APG members, most of whom accept clients or give lectures. Full addresses, phone, fax and email numbers are followed by research or geographical specialties and, if appropriate, related services, then credentials and/or experience in the field.

Genealogical column in Terre Haute

The Terre Haute (Indiana) *Tribune Star* newspaper runs a weekly query column in the Sunday paper. Queries should include a specific county in west central Indiana (Vigo, Clay, Parke, Sullivan and Vermillion Counties in Indiana) or a nearby county in southeastern Illinois (Edgar and Clark Counties, Illinois).

Placing a query is free. Write clearly and include your name and address. Phone number or email is optional. Include a SASE only if you wish to receive a copy of your query.

Please send requests to: Tamie Dehler, Genealogy Column, *Tribune Star* Publishing, Inc., PO Box 149, Terre Haute, IN 47808.

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the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania.

These three honorees served the Federation of Genealogical Societies for several years as directors, committee chairs and project coordinators. Mrs. Rising was FGS president in 1990.